

## THE GOOD NEIGHBORS

Tomorrow's Sunday Worker carries a historic exchange of letters between G. Arnedo Alvarez, Secretary of the Communist Party of Argentina and Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A. The letters deal with the mutual problems of and the relations between the two nations.

## Lehman Cabinet Meets to Stop Cuts

Commissioners Tell of Effects of GOP Slashes

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
ALBANY, April 21.—Governor Lehman met today in emergency session with his cabinet and learned from Department heads the exact effect of the Republican budget slashes upon the functioning of their agencies.

The Governor would not disclose at this time the form his counter-attack upon the GOP fiscal program would take but it is expected that he will center his fire on the lump sum appropriation system adopted by the Republicans to force drastic curtailment of vital services.

The most telling indictment of the Republican party's "economy" program came from the Department of Taxation and Finance with the disclosure that the \$453,648 cut it may sustain would result in a loss of revenues to the State of more than \$3 million dollars.

Other consequences of operating on a reduced budget set forth in the memorandum of Commissioner Graves include:

- (1) A marked decline in the facilities of the Department to (a) seek out the tax chiselers, evaders and evaders with a resulting increase in tax evasion and avoidance.
- (2) Curtailment of efforts to remove from the highways, careless, dangerous, drunken and reckless drivers accompanied by an increase in accidents, fatal and otherwise.
- (3) Inability on the part of the Department to give tax payers consideration of their problems.

"While these are strong statements, we are prepared to establish them and will appear at a hearing or submit supporting facts if you will communicate your preference as to procedure," Graves informed Republican fiscal leaders.

Declaring that the Department's administrative efficiency would be reduced to a "state of virtual impotence," Graves bluntly declared "this will be comforting to the tax chiselers, evaders and dodgers, but alarming to all honest taxpayers." He asserted that the State would lose in revenue at least \$10 for each dollar saved in the appropriation.

Department of Correction Commissioner Lyons warned of a breakdown in prison administration and possible resultant riots and disturbances unless his department's appropriation is increased.

"We cannot forget that, due to improper supervision and attendant unsuitable conditions within the State prisons, the riots of 1929 and 1930 occurred. Nor can we forget the consequent loss of life and great destruction of State properties."

The proposed \$608,401 cut in the department's budget would result in the abolishment of important and necessary positions beyond the point of safety and require the denial of proper expenditures for the inmates, Commissioner Lyons asserted.

## Lewis Protests GOP Budget Reduction Plan

Tells Moffat Labor First to Suffer If Cuts Go Through

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—John L. Lewis, C. I. O. president, today protested against Republican attempts to cut the New York State budget at the expense of civil service employees and of vital social services.

He communicated his protest to Abbot Low Moffat, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the New York State Legislature.

"I want to call your attention to the interest and concern felt by organized labor in the present budget situation in New York State," Lewis said.

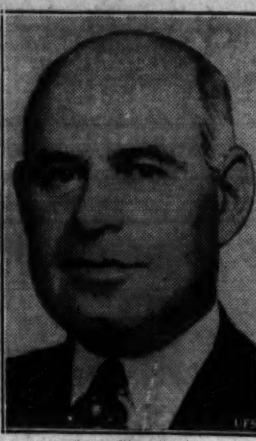
"This concern, we feel, is a legitimate one, since labor is directly affected by the drastic cuts proposed in certain sections of the budget. Labor is particularly concerned by the deep slashes proposed in the appropriations for welfare, educational and social services."

"In addition, labor wishes to protest contemplated reductions in the road building program, a program that is vital to the economy of the working farmers of New York State."

"Our affiliate, the State, County

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## Defends Budget



GOV. LEHMAN

## U.S. May Act To End Coal Talk Deadlock

Possible FDR Move Is Seen; Labor Dep't Hopes for Peace

The Federal government, possibly through President Roosevelt, is today expected to take a direct hand in the deadlocked bituminous coal negotiations, as James F. Dewey, the U. S. Labor Department's conciliator in the situation, announced that the conference remains as deadlocked as it has been for nearly six weeks since the talks started.

The impasse, Dewey said, continues despite the high hopes entertained two days ago that negotiations would reach a settlement without the direct participation of conciliators.

Mayor LaGuardia yesterday sent a second note to President Roosevelt urging him to take some immediate steps to end the deadlock. The Mayor outlined the details of the New York situation.

He said he will report immediately to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, but did not know what the Federal government's next steps would be to bring an end to the lockout of 338,000 miners and a coal famine that is threatening to paralyze production and utilities in many parts of the country.

Dewey made his statement at the conclusion of yesterday's negotiations at the Bituminous Coal Workers and the coal operators.

Neither President John L. Lewis of the U. M. W. A., nor Charles O'Neil, spokesman for the operators, would add anything to Dewey's statement. But despite the continued lockout, the conferees will again resume at 10 A. M. today.

"Two days ago Dr. Steelman (John R. Steelman, director of the Labor Department's conciliation service) and myself talked with the conferees for the purpose of finding out the status of the situation," Dewey said.

"At that time it was indicated by both parties that they thought that in two days the negotiators meeting alone might find a solution. Those two days are now passed."

"I was directed today by the Secretary of Labor to come back and find out what progress has been made."

"Apparently there hasn't been any."

[At Washington, the United Press reports: Miss Perkins said in a press conference that a special coal mediation board is one method that is now under consideration as a means to break the deadlock. She expressed the opinion that the difference dividing the conferees is not great. Her hope for a settlement, she said, was also prompted by the desire that AFL-CIO unity negotiations, postponed because of the pact talks, would also resume.]

Asked on what the differences are

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## Deleahanty Lines Up Students for Burns Building Service Strike-breaking Role

The Deleahanty Institute is lining up New York's student police and firemen to "work" for the Burns Detective Agency in the event of an elevator strike, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

First, students at the big civil service training institution received postcards from the Burns agency saying simply, if you are unemployed, go to 630 Third Ave.

At that number, the notorious strikebreaking agency operates an undercover hiring hall in a deserted store.

The next day, the Institute itself handed out a circular addressed "To Patrolman and Firemen Students." It started out like this:

"It is anticipated that there is to be a building operators strike to begin, possibly, on Thursday, April 20."

"The William J. Burns Detective Agency, who have been employed to furnish guards for the protection of property, have requested us to send them young men who are anxious to procure a

position paying \$6 a day for 12 hours work."

"If you are unemployed and interested in such a temporary position, call at the William J. Burns Detective Agency, 630 Third Ave., between 40th and 41st Street, ask for Mr. Ayres and present your enrollment card."

The communication was signed, "M. J. Deleahanty, director."

This probably explains why your reporter was asked, "Have you one

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## Chinese Drive On; Retake Wanchow

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
CHUNGKING, China, April 21.—Chinese troops have taken the town of Wanchow in an offensive southwest of Nanchang, in Kiangsi province, Central China, a War Office announcement said today.

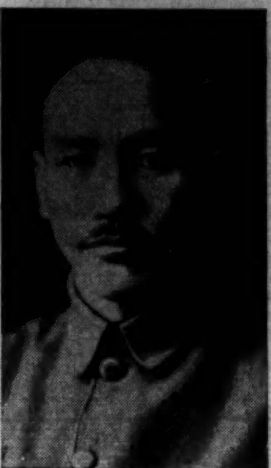
Northwest of Nanchang the Chinese were surrounding the road junction of Wuning after defeating a Japanese sortie from the town two days ago. Wuning is now surrounded from three sides by Chinese forces.

The town of Icheng, in southern Shansi province of North China, has been taken by the Chinese in another drive. The Chinese drove 18 miles past Icheng and are now engaged in a battle with the Japanese there, who have been reinforced by 2,000 fresh troops.

Many Japanese garrison posts in southern, eastern and western Shansi have been surrounded by Chinese units during the past three days in widespread local attacks.

On April 16 a detachment of 900 "peace preservation" troops of conscripted Chinese mutinied against the Japanese and joined the Chinese forces, taking their arms with them.

In South China fresh reserves are arriving on the Canton battlefield. On April 19 two Japanese troop ships



CHIANG KAI-SHEK

## Perkins Asks For Hearing On Bridges

Orders Re-examination of Evidence Against CIO Leader

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP).—Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins today ordered a "prompt hearing" in the deportation case of Harry Bridges, Australian-born, West Coast CIO leader, and 11 other cases involving the Communist issue.

Miss Perkins acted after her aides informed her that the Supreme Court's decision Monday in the Joseph Streecher case did not bar action against Bridges and others whose expulsion as alleged Communists is sought.

The court held in the Streecher case that membership in the Party was not a deportable offense unless the Party is proved anarchistic. It did not rule specifically on that issue, however, merely citing all allegedly subversive organizations.

Bridges has denied under oath that he is a Communist and is expected to appeal to the Supreme Court for a final ruling if he is adjudged a member of the Party and ordered deported on that ground.

## B'klyn Jury Probe Indicts Madden

A special grand jury investigation alleged judicial and police corruption in Kings County indicted Assistant District Attorney Francis A. Madden yesterday.

Madden, an assistant to District Attorney William F. X. Geoghan, was charged with two counts of conspiracy to obstruct justice, two counts of bribery and two counts of demanding an unlawful fee.

Madden allegedly accepted bribes aggregating \$9,000 from October, 1937, to March, 1939, from two Brooklyn physicians for protection on charges of performing illegal operations.

## Browder Opens 1939 Election Drive in B'klyn

Speaks to 2,000 as C.P. Begins Cacchione Campaign

More than 2,000 persons jammed the Brooklyn Academy of Music last night to hear Earl Browder speak on "The American Foreign Policy and the Struggle for Peace."

The meeting, of which Robert Campbell, prominent Brooklyn Negro leader, was chairman, marked the beginning of the Communist Party's councilmanic election campaign.

"We are starting our election campaign in April instead of August," Campbell said, "to be sure that we put Pete Cacchione in the council."

Cacchione, introduced by Campbell, said that the present sharpening struggle in the city and the country made the election of a Communist to the council more important than ever.

The reactionaries, he said, had not even yet recovered from their fright of having a Communist almost in the City Council.

Many in the audience were armed and inscribed "Cacchione for council."

Hundreds of officials of A. F. of L. and CIO unions, meeting in the grand ballroom of Hotel Central, 108 W. 43rd St., last night vigorously condemned the drive of the Wagner Act to destroy the Wagner Act under cover of clamoring for "amendments" to the law.

Allan S. Haywood, president of the State Industrial Union Council, declared that labor throughout the nation is determined to fight to the last ditch to preserve the democratic labor law.

The audience, composed in the main of union functionaries, represented approximately 700,000 organized workers in the city.

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## Dutch Reply To Hitler; Admit Fear Of Nazis

Query of Small Nations Is Nazi Provocation Drive on FDR

PARIS, April 21 (UP).—Hitler tonight gathered replies from Europe's smaller nations to a Nazi questionnaire which diplomats believed he will use in his Reichstag speech next Friday in an effort to discredit President Roosevelt with the American people.

From the replies to his queries as to whether the small nations fear a Nazi attack or have communicated any such fear to the United States, the Fuehrer was expected to try to provoke American criticism of Mr. Roosevelt on the grounds that he is "meddling" in European affairs.

One of the first replies to the questionnaire came from the Netherlands and was understood to have expressed concern over the country's future security.

Diplomats described the Dutch reply as "cautious" inasmuch as most of the smaller nations of Central and Southeastern Europe were fearful of anything but a negative reply to Hitler's questions.

Hungary, Yugoslavia and Lithuania were among the nations understood to have replied negatively while answers still were awaited from Denmark, Estonia, Rumania, Poland, Luxembourg and Liechtenstein.

## DUTCH FEAR FOR SAFETY

The Netherlands, in effect, told Germany that it did not at present feel itself to be menaced but that it lacks the "certainty" that the "present sense of security will persist indefinitely."

The Dutch, fearful that Nazi armies some day might overrun their country in order to reach the English channel and perhaps to outflank the Belgian Maginot line, have heavily fortified their 220 miles of frontier with Germany.

Defense plans call for the blowing up of dykes to flood one-third of the country in event of emergency and border battalions have been placed at full strength in recent weeks.

The questions put to the small countries by Germany were understood to have been:

1—Have you any fear from Germany for your independence or security?

2—Have you ever acquainted the United States with those fears?

The semi-official French Agency Radio said the questionnaire also asked whether the small nations had entered into any alliance against the Third Reich.

On the basis of the replies, it was said, Hitler expects to inform President Roosevelt in his Reichstag speech that "none" of Germany's small neighbors fear her and that nothing has been further from their thoughts than appealing to President Roosevelt to intercede in their behalf.

## UNION HEADS RALLY TO SAVE LABOR ACT

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## PRESSURE FOR REVISION OF NEUTRALITY MOUNTS AS C.I.O. BACKS CHANGES

## French Decree Laws Ask No Sacrifice of the Rich

Thorez Urges Genuine Government of All France to Save Country, Charging Lack of Democracy in Domestic Measures of Daladier

By P. L. Darnar  
Associate Editor, L'Humanite  
(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, April 21.—The Cabinet announced a series of decree-laws tonight and Paul Reynaud, Minister of Finance, commented upon them over the radio.

Reynaud declared that sacrifices must be equal and equitable. But the decrees do not fit this description.

The people of France are ready for sacrifices, but they demand that measures also be taken against the wealthy, the banks, with conscription of war industries as well as mobilization of man power.

A decree extends the normal working week to 45 hours. Special provisions previously had already permitted overtime work as long as considered necessary, so that this decree was a step establishing a principle designed to damage the social laws in accordance with the desires of the fascists and capitalists under the pretext of re-establishing the confidence of international finance.

## EASY TO CONCEAL

The same folk who are greedy for anti-labor actions sabotage national defense by dividing French democracy and waging a campaign against genuine collective security with the Soviet Union.

The French Hitlerites even attack

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## U.S. to Renew Report Slovaks, Hungarians In New Battle

Hull to Push Protest Against Trade Bar; See New Tension

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP).—The United States tonight prepared to renew vigorous representations to Japan for the reopening of the Yangtze River in China to American travelers and trade, a move which diplomatic observers viewed as extremely significant because of impending international and home developments.

Renewal of the protests was announced by Secretary of State Cordell Hull, who said that the new representations would be made orally at the Tokyo foreign office by American Ambassador Joseph C. Grew. There was no doubt, meantime, that already tense relations between this nation and Japan will undergo additional strain.

The navy meanwhile declined to explain what prompted the sudden transfer from Hampton Roads, Va. to San Pedro, Cal., and Mr. Roosevelt said he would stand on the navy's explanation.

The Yangtze River question is seen here as involving the traditional "Open Door" of China.

In his next to last formal note to the Tokyo foreign office, Grew discussed the matter along with the "Open Door" problem and the nation's impatience with Japan's repeated failure to reply to previous representations.

Grew's protest was registered last Oct. 6, and on Nov. 18 the Japanese government ended its series of diplomatic snubs with a formal note informing the United States that the "Open Door" policy, like other traditional economic methods in the Far East, must assume secondary importance under the establishment of a "new order" in China.

He was decorated several times by the Soviet government for his accomplishments.

## Page 1 and Page 24 in Two Days--a 'Times' WPA Story

How many readers of the New York Times yesterday were able to find the statement by WPA Administrator Harrington that he was going to continue to recognize the Workers' Alliance and that he did not consider the organization subversive?

Those who got tired after looking through the first 23 pages, never saw

this important statement at all. Because it was hidden away on page 24. Of course, on the previous day, when an anonymous congressman was supposed to have demanded that Harrington refuse to recognize the Alliance, the Times, in an extensive story, had plastered it all over page 1.

This is how the Times keeps faith with its readers.

## CIO Program for Action Against Aggressors Given By Carey

ACT EXPIRES MAY 1 Demands for Thomas Geyer Proposals Grow Stronger

By Adam Lapin  
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—Pressure for swift and far-reaching revision of the Neutrality Act increased today as expiration of the cash and carry provisions of the present act on May 1 was only a week and a half distant.

While administration leaders were attempting to speed up the neutrality hearings so as to secure prompt action, James Carey, secretary of the CIO, urged changes in the Act to hit aggressor nations and aid their victims in a statement made public this afternoon.

Citing the resolution passed by the Pittsburgh convention of the CIO for cooperation with other democratic nations, Carey called for a program "for the defense of the world and of America against fascism and war." He said that essential to this program were:

"That our government and our people should not aid the aggressor nations, by any material or moral means."

"That our government and our people should lend the powerful aid of this country to the victims of the aggressor nations."

A BASIC PROGRAM  
He declared this was a "basic program" and would "require changes in our present neutrality law which does give aid and comfort to the aggressors."

While Carey did not specifically mention the amendments to the law introduced by Senator Elbert D. Thomas of Utah to permit the President with a majority of Congress to embargo the aggressors, it was clear that he supported this measure in principle.

Carey said in outlining this program that "I know that I speak for the working men and women represented by the CIO."

An eloquent plea for revision of the Neutrality Act was also made by Dr. Esther C. Brunauer of the American Association of University Women in testimony before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Dr. Brunauer strongly advocated passage of the Thomas amendments which have been introduced in the House by Rep. Lee E. Geyer of California.

She said that passage of the Thomas-Geyer proposal would "establish a principle of non-military action to restrain the aggressors and thus make a tremendously important contribution to the prevention of international war right now and to the establishment of permanent peace for the ages."

Another important development was the arrival here of a delegation of eight student leaders from New York headed by Thomas P. Robinson, Brooklyn College Student Council president. Members of the delegation spent the day urging Senators and Congressmen to support the Thomas-Geyer proposal.

Meanwhile, a canvass of sentiment of members of both the House

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## Tokio Papers Assail Return of Fleet to Pacific

TOKIO, April 21 (UP).—Two leading Tokyo newspapers today denounced President Roosevelt for ordering the U. S. fleet back to the Pacific, asserting that he was thereby aiding British defenses in the Far East.

"It no longer can be denied that the United States, acting on behalf of Great Britain, is trying to control Japan," the Miyako Shimbun said.

The newspaper Hoshi described the return of the U. S. fleet to the Pacific as intended to protect British and French possessions in Southern Asia.

## Soviet Miners Get New Homes And Club Houses

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, April 21.—New apartment buildings and club houses for Voroshilovgrad region miners are being opened by May 1 as part of a 4,000,000-ruble (\$750,000) building schedule this year.



## A Tourist's Dream--Where Children Refugees Die!

Horse-Stalls for Homes, Disease-Spanish Tots Suffer In France

By Art Shields  
(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SAINT-JEAN-DE-LUZ, France, April 21. — Blue mountains, white surf, shining bays and red tiled villas make a beautiful picture on France's south Atlantic coast. So beautiful that American tourists dream again of Carmel and Monterey, California. So beautiful that some cannot realize that Spanish children are dying nearby.

But I have seen where they died. I have just visited the stables in a polo field near Bayonne where 23 children died in two months. I have seen more than 100 dark cement-floored stalls where polo ponies use to sleep, where mothers and babes of Spain's Republican refugees cough and scratch with pulmonary diseases and the terrible scabies.

I saw whole families living in windowless stalls that single horses used to call home. I saw anti-fascists who fled Franco's terror guarded by the police.

This is better than forcibly sending them to Franco, as a fascist nation would have done. And that is about all you can say for the treatment when they arrived from the icy Pyrenees, when they were given cement floors to sleep upon, irregular food, and were urged but not forced to return to Franco.

### SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

Now treatment is improving a bit—partly as a result of the pressure of the International Spanish Aid Committee, with which the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy is affiliated. Beds have been moved into some stalls, pallets into others, straw for most of the remaining. Food is slightly better, with some milk for the children, though vitamin-giving fresh vegetables are rare.

That stable camp is worse than a prison I just visited. I had just come from the camp town of Dax in the turpentine forest region, where refugees, including 80 women, 30 children and nine men, sleep behind iron doors and barred windows.

It is a grim home, but better than the polo field because the Spaniards are allowed to visit the town and talk to sympathetic French people and keep revivifying contact with the world.

Food and medical care are better, too. And there I found one of the many Spanish families who love the United States. Mrs. Esperanza Nines, who worked 17 years in an oil refinery at Port Arthur, Texas, hopes to get to her family there with her two children.

I will describe more civilian camps tomorrow and the next day the story of happy children's colonies supported by American foster parents.

## Urge Polish Arms Workers Not to Halt on May Day

WARSAW, April 21 (UP).—Polish armament workers today were ordered to forego their usual May Day holiday as a demonstration of the Polish people's determination to be prepared against aggression.

A proclamation issued by the Polish Social Democratic Party and the trade unions announced that this year "as an exception, Polish workers must show their preparedness to defend Poland against crude German aggression and consequently in all armaments factories work will not be halted. . . not a single hour of work must be lost."

Readiness for national defense will be the feature of other May 1 demonstrations.

## New England War Games End, Boston Defended

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 21 (UP).—The New England war games ended officially at noon today, but how the defending forces fared against the mythical invader was not revealed.

Earlier in the day, eight four-motored "flying fortresses" of the 2nd bombardment group made a surprise flight to Boston to defend that city against a "threat" and then returned to Hillsboro.

Major-General Hugh A. Drum, commanding the army's defenses, reported that last night's flights from Boston and Hillsboro had been to reveal simultaneous "threats" against Boston and New York.

## Appellate Division Bars Rudich From Practice of Law

NEW YORK, April 21 (UP).—Magistrate Mark Rudich, recently removed from the Kings (Brooklyn) County bench on charges of judicial misconduct, was barred from practicing law today by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn.

The Court wrote in its decision: "Respondent should be disbarred and his name struck from the roll of attorneys." The decision was unanimous.



DOLORES IBARRURI  
(La Pasionaria)

## Pasionaria Pleads Against Franco Cruelty

Great C. P. Spanish Leader Urges Action at Paris Meeting

PARIS, April 3 (By Mail) (ION).—"In the name of civilization and of humanity, the Spanish people must be saved from this wave of criminal barbarity."

With these words the great leader of the Spanish people, Dolores Ibarruri (La Pasionaria), addressed the representatives of 15 nations who met in Paris over the week end to discuss the measures to be taken now in connection with Aid Spain work.

While in Madrid martial law was being put into operation by Franco and his taskmasters of the Nazi Gestapo and the Italian Fascist OVRA secret police, while all over Spain the invading hordes defile Spanish homesteads, this conference was able to see how the Spanish people are going to continue to carry on the struggle under the yoke of fascism. After 32 months of struggle, the Spanish people are more determined than ever to continue in defense of their liberties and independence.

Thanking the millions of people throughout the world who have come to Spain's aid in her hour of need, La Pasionaria declared:

"For three years the Spanish people put up a heroic resistance, but today the crime has been finally consummated. This final treason has completed the Spanish calvary. 'Today, more than ever before, the true nature of our struggle is evident to the democratic countries. Fascist Spain is a menace to the democracies.'

"I beg of you, in the name of the sufferings of my people, in the name of the mothers and women of Spain, to help us!"

## Benes Predicts Fascist Crackup

Europe's fascist states have reached their "breaking point," Dr. Eduard Benes, former president of Czechoslovakia, told the New York League of Women Voters at the Hotel Plaza Thursday night.

He declared that the fascist dictatorships "use methods and means which push them toward inevitable downfall or violent social and economic revolution."

"Politically, morally, economically and socially," he continued, "these regimes have passed today their culmination point, and the only section of their policy which continues to give them new force and power is their successes in international policy and in general European and world power policy."

## Start Building Bahamas Airport

NASSAU, Bahamas, April 21 (UP).—Construction of a government airport was started today about five miles south of Nassau, which heretofore has had land facilities for amphibian planes only.

Normally the Bahamas legislature would be asked to provide the funds for such an undertaking, but the government announced that crown funds would be used. Crown funds are derived from the sale of crown lands and rentals thereon and are controlled by the Governor in consultation with imperial authorities.

## Rumanian Minister Meets With King Leopold

BRUSSELS, Belgium, April 21 (UP).—Grigore Gafencu, Rumanian foreign Minister granted an audience by King Leopold today and later conferred with Premier Hubert Pierlot and with The Minister of Economics.

Gafencu was expected to discuss preliminary results of the Belgian-Rumanian commercial accord which gives Belgium a 30 per cent advance in the trade balance. Unconfirmed reports said Rumania intended placing armament orders in Belgium.

## Hull Gets Vet Protest on U. S. Consul Actions

Gates Charges Sabotage Of Aid to Men In France In Letter

An emphatic protest against the actions of Mr. Wiley, the American consul at Le Havre, was registered with Secretary of State Cordell Hull yesterday by Lieut. Col. John Gates, Executive Secretary of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Mr. Gates charged that Mr. Wiley is assisting French government officials in their attempts to return 120 American veterans of the Spanish war to the French border concentration camps. Mr. Gates further charged that Mr. Wiley is openly proclaiming throughout Le Havre that the Friends of the Lincoln Brigade are unable to provide for the maintenance of the veterans now quartered in that city. The Friends have been maintaining the men at a cost of \$2,000 a week. This tremendous expense, Mr. Gates declared, is due mainly to Mr. Wiley's delay in granting the men necessary papers to return home.

Most of the veterans in Le Havre are foreign born and they have been waiting in Spain and France for more than six months for permission to return to their homes in America.

### URGE BLANKET AGREEMENT

They spent more than a month in French concentration camps living under inhuman conditions.

"Why cannot a blanket agreement be made to bring all of these men to Ellis Island where we could more easily arrange all legal details?" Mr. Gates asked Mr. Hull in his communication. "This would be the logical, humane thing to do, and would be quite within the law. May we say that we guarantee that these men will not become public charges. As you can determine from investigation, there has already been ample precedent on this score, since a great many men have been guaranteed by us on this basis and we have not defaulted in a single case."

Mr. Gates issued a statement in which he urged all individuals and organizations to send their protests of Mr. Wiley's action to the Secretary of State.

## GIO Spurs Neutrality Act Revision Fight

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and Senate committees which are conducting hearings on the Neutrality Act revealed that a new proposal for amendment is steadily gaining ground.

This is the proposal made by Dr. Charles Fenwick of the concerted Peace Efforts Committee to combine the Thomas amendments with the Pittman cash and carry bill.

It was believed that this plan made possible a common meeting ground for many of the advocates of both plans.

Isolationists, however, continued a steady barrage of propaganda against any changes in the act.

A leading isolationist witness at a House hearings was Lawrence Dennis, Wall Street broker and avowed advocate of fascism for the United States.

Dennis particularly deplored any move which might aid China in her war of defense against Japanese invasion. And declared that "imposition of sanctions might lead to rash acts."

At the Senate hearings, Mrs. Helen Taft Hanning, treasurer of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom urged strengthening of the Neutrality Act and demanded that it "be applied at once to the Far Eastern scene."

She stuck to her guns even when Senator Thomas pointed out that this would prove of direct aid to Japan.

She said that she favored continuation of the export of American scrap iron to Japan because it would be impossible "to draw the line" between scrap and other commodities.

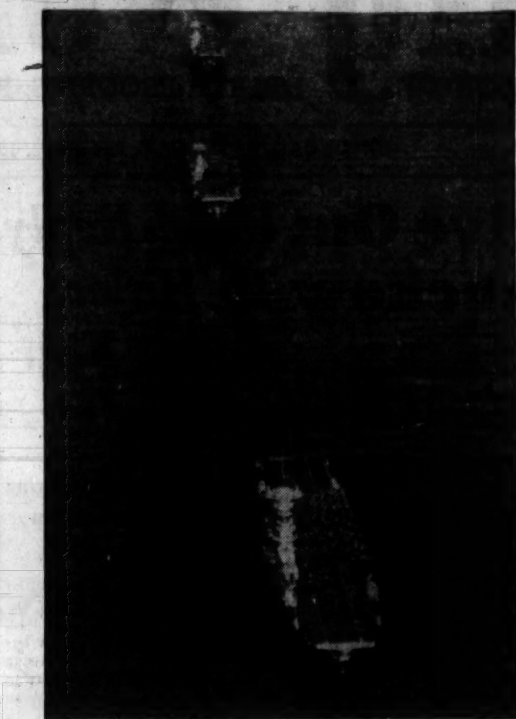
To cap the isolationist barrage, Rep. Hamilton Fish, New York Republican, made another radio speech in which he blamed the whole international crisis on the President, who he said had "created war hysteria" at home and abroad.

## Roosevelt Talks With Lindbergh On Air Situation

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP).—President Roosevelt said today that he discussed the world military aviation situation with Col. Charles A. Lindbergh at their White House conference yesterday.

He offered no suggestion as to details of the conference. Lindbergh has been recalled to active duty with the War Department to make a survey of United States aviation research facilities.

## Fleet Sails for Pacific



AIRCRAFT CARRIERS Lexington, Yorktown and Enterprise seen in an aerial view as they steamed out of Hampton Roads, Va., as the main body of the armada started for the West Coast. The fleet will be further enlarged by the addition of several cruisers off Guantanamo.

## Italian-Americans Vow Democratic Loyalty

'Declaration of Loyalty' to FDR Backs Peace Plea; Democratic Principles; Dr. Bella Dodd of Teachers Union Heads Provisional Comm.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. Bella Visono Dodd of the American Federation of Teachers, and with the support of a group of Italian-American personalities in the intellectual and political circles of the Italian-American community, a Provisional Committee has been established for the purpose of initiating a plebiscite among the Italians of America in support of the policy of democracy and peace of the United States government.

The Provisional Committee has drawn up the following Declaration of Loyalty to the principles of American Democracy and Peace addressed to the President of the United States:

To the Principles of American Democracy and Peace.  
To F. D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America:

We, American citizens of Italian origin and Italians living in America, wholeheartedly endorse your peace appeal to the governments of Germany and Italy, embodying the policy of the American government to avert war which would bring the entire world to ruin.

We wish to declare through you to the great American people that we unequivocally repudiate the policy of "forcible and violent aggression" as a policy which imperils peace and democracy in the world and the national security of our beloved United States.

In doing this we are upholding the best traditions of the Italian people, the traditions for which our fathers fought and died, the traditions of Garibaldi who used his sword only in defense of weak peoples. The prestige of all nations can be increased only through a policy of collaboration for peace and not through wars and aggressions.

We owe whatever measure of economic well being we are now enjoying to the democratic institutions of America. We are determined to remain loyal to the principles of American democracy and peace, to add to our past and present contributions in the building of this great country and to join in the efforts of all Americans to preserve and extend our great democratic heritage.

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PROF. GINO BARDI, Secretary.  
EDMOND CONTENTO  
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SALVATORE ATTANASIO

## Goering, Ciano Off to Madrid For Celebration

BERLIN, April 21 (UP).—Field Marshal Herman Goering, No. 2 Nazi, probably will go to Madrid for the Spanish fascist "victory parade" tentatively scheduled for May 15, it was reported tonight.

Fascist Italy will be represented by Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister.

## MASS. STUDENTS BACK F.D.R. POLICY

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
BOSTON, April 21.—Bay State students gave strong support to President Roosevelt's peace policy in rallies on Boston campuses yesterday.

At Harvard University, 1,300 students attended a rally at the University Theatre where the picture "Crisis" was shown. The main speaker was Dr. Karl W. Deutsch, German-Czech refugee. Resolutions were unanimously passed favoring Roosevelt's peace program and the passage of the Thomas amendment.

At Radcliffe College, Prof. Howard Mumford Jones of Harvard spoke before 230 students. He urged the support of Roosevelt Program. SRScARd SHRD L HRD RDL RDD At Simmons both Dr. Deutsch and Jeff Campbell, an isolationist, spoke before 200 persons.

## Canada Guards Niagara Power Against Sabotage

River Plants Posted By Veterans As Threats Are Reported

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., April 21 (UP).—The Canadian Hydro-Electric Commission ordered guards posted around power plants along the Niagara River today because of reports of sabotage threats.

Four hundred guards, all Canadian World War veterans and members of the Canadian Legion, will go on duty shortly after midnight at Niagara Falls and Queens-town, Ont. A. S. Robertson, commission superintendent said.

The sabotage reports started because of several recent thefts of dynamite in the Niagara section. Representatives of the Buffalo Niagara Electric Power Company, which maintains a plant on the Canadian side of the river, said they had conferred with authorities on plans to guard their plant.

One official explained that the action was in line with the country's general preparations "in the event of a foreign conflict."

"We realize that these power plants are a vital necessity and they must be protected," the official, who declined to permit use of his name, said. "Suppose there was a war. Naturally, they would try to get their kicks in before it started."

## Charge French Decree Laws Undemocratic

Thorez Urges Genuine Government of All France

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Britain and Roosevelt, who are presented as "war-mongers."

Steps to impose sacrifices upon the rich and to muzzle the pro-fascist campaign must be taken together.

The decrees include measures limiting profits in industries working for the national defense. The principle is excellent, but it seems that the decree is actually an "advertising billboard" for no measures have been taken to strengthen prevention of concealment of profits. It is over-easy to transfer profits to reserve and re-utilization funds.

### MASS FIRING

Likewise there is no levy upon big fortunes. A one per cent sales tax is the method to be used to obtain the essential resources. The tax imposes great hardships on the poor consumer. It is the very model of an anti-democratic tax. It probably will result in a slowingdown of business turnover. Merchants are compensated by a 20 per cent reduction in licenses.

On the other hand, mass firings were decided for the public services. This carries a risk of increasing the number of unemployed unless a policy of rehiring in industrial production is adopted.

This step should precede or at least accompany an increase in the number of working hours.

Thus the spirit of the measures taken does not correspond to the real unity of the country for defense, to the resolve of the whole people for sacrifice.

### THOREZ SPEAKS

Thus Maurice Thorez, general secretary of the French Communist Party, speaking tonight at Montucon at a by-election to replace Marx Dormoy, Socialist ex-Minister of Interior who has been elected a Senator, declared that to save France it is necessary to have a genuine government of all France.

Domestic politics restricts too great a degree the effects of the declaration of firmness formulated by Premier Edouard Daladier in terms which would be satisfactory if they were followed by actions, he said.

The measures taken by the government are not democratic enough and there is indulgence with regard to Nazi propaganda, which corresponds to the rumors of bargaining between Bonnet and Mussolini.

This is mentioned by the Evening Standard in London. The Italian news service Transapline attacked Roosevelt, saying that his message compromised negotiations between France and Italy.

Thus we have in France excellent popular morale for victorious resistance, but the government attitude should conform to this spirit.

## Boycott Tokio To Stop Invasion, Chinese Pleads

MANCHESTER, April 21.—Chinese Ambassador Quo Tai-chi, addressing the Manchester reform club today, urged a boycott of Japanese exports and an embargo on imports into that country as a means to end the Japanese invasion of China.

He said Japan would have to abandon the China war within six months if western nations should sever their economic relations with her.

## Yugoslav Troops Deride Axis When Called to Arms

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, April 21 (UP).—Three hundred thousand men have been called to the colors in recent weeks because of the international situation, it was reported today.

A strong anti-dictator spirit was

displayed by men reporting for army service. The reservists march through the countryside singing songs deriding Hitler and Mussolini. Thirty persons were arrested at Sarajevo last night because, in welcoming a group of Bulgarian students, crowds shouted:—"Down with Hitler! Down with Mussolini!" It was understood that there was a 100 per cent response to all calls to the colors.

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## Administrative Slate Sweeps All Posts in Fur Union Elections

Poll for Delegates to Atlantic City Convention Is Crushing Defeat of Lovestonette Clique; Unity Is Keynote of Rank and File Vote

Members of the Furriers' Joint Council of the CIO turned out an overwhelming majority for all the entire slate of 32 candidates of the Left Wing Rank and File Furriers—the administration ticket—for delegates to the 13th International convention of the union to be held at Atlantic City April 7, results announced yesterday showed.

The election was one more crushing defeat for a clique of Lovestonettes, strikebreakers and remnants of a past reactionary administration, that has been engaged in disruptive activities within the union.

As in every past election the opposition combine put forward a slate of candidates, but failed to elect a single one.

The Cutters Local 101 elected seven delegates with Ben Gold, President of the International and Jack Schneider, Council business agent, leading the ticket. The Operators Local 105 elected 10 delegates with Harry Begoon, Council Secretary-Treasurer and Sol Wollin, Council Complaint Manager, in the lead. The Nailers Local 110 elected six delegates with Gus Hopman, Council business agent and Louis Cohen, rank and file Council delegate leading. The Finishers Local 115 elected 9 delegates with Joseph Winogradsky, Assistant-Manager of the Council, and Samuel Moscovitz, rank and file Council delegate, leading.

**POTASH VOTE UNANIMOUS**  
Irving Potash, Manager of the Furriers' Joint Council, was unanimously elected by the Joint Council as its delegate to the convention.

Commenting on the election results, Irving Potash, Manager of the Council, said:

"The vote shows that the Furriers' Joint Council members will support only those who are seriously and constructively concerned with their welfare and the problems of the Union.

"Once again the members showed that they have no confidence in any clique, particularly the insignificant Lovestonette clique whose members have been conducting a cynical campaign of obstruction and slander.

"It is significant that all the efforts of the small Lovestonette group, their attempts to arouse the unemployed through demagoguery, their campaign of character assassination and slander and even an eleven hour mimeographed statement issued by a group of bosses against the Union administration, failed to elect a single one of the Lovestonette candidates."

### UNITY IS KEYNOTE

The slate of candidates elected, which will be the largest delegation at the convention, express a unity of all the constructive elements in the Joint Council, including various shades of opinion.

The delegations stood as follows: Cutters, Local 101, Ben Gold, Jack Jasper, Joseph Kaplan, Bernard Mondshine, Morris Pinchewsky, Jack Schneider, and Hyman Shames. Operators, 105, Harry Begoon, Sol Wollin, Phillip Glanzman, Joseph Kuahner, Morris Lauber, William Guehrman, Charles Mehlack, Samuel Mencher, Joseph Morgenstein, Isidor Opochninsky. Nailers, Local 110, Julius Berger, Louis Cohen, Sam Davis, Julius Fleiss, Gus Hopman and Oscar Ward.

Finishers, Local 115, Mary Fleischman, Bernard Goldin, Samuel Moscovitz, Helen Pizer, Sam Rubin, Harry Stofsky, Ida Thal, Joseph Winogradsky and Yetta Zucker.

### New England Rivers Overflow; No Flood Peril

BOSTON, April 21 (UP).—Freshet crests rolled down the Connecticut and Merrimack rivers today, flooding meadows and some highways but causing only minor damage.

Though showers were predicted for tonight and tomorrow, Chief Meteorologist G. Harold Noyes of the Boston Weather Bureau said they would have "no appreciable effect" on the river situation.

Officials of communities in the two river valleys emphasized there was no danger of a repetition of the disastrous 1938 floods.

## Watch Your Brands—Strike's On



Negro and white workers of the Liggett, Myers Co., Richmond, Va., are out on strike against pay slashes. Firm makes Chesterfields, already on Newspaper Guild Unfair List. Photo shows group of strikers at the plant.

## NEGRO-WHITE UNITY FIRM IN LIGGETT & MYERS STRIKE

(Special to the Daily Worker)

RICHTON, Va., April 21.—Complete solidarity between Negro and white workers marks the strike of 1,050 employees at the local Liggett and Myers plant in the first strike against one of the "big three" among cigarette manufacturers called by the A. F. of L. Tobacco Workers International Union in the past 39 years.

The plant manufacturers Chesterfield, Fatima and Piedmont cigarettes and Velvet smoking tobacco. The Durham, North Carolina, plant of Liggett and Myers is also closed by a strike.

For the first time in Richmond's history, Negro and white men and women are picketing together, side by side.

Negotiations between the company and union representatives broke down when the management refused to submit the differences to an impartial board. The union seeks seniority rights for union

members, and a five per cent wage increase for all workers.

W. O. Harbarger, head of the Richmond local of the A. F. of L. union, pointed out that the union workers, comprising 95 per cent of the plant, insist that in the event of lay-offs, non-union workers be dismissed first, since they "have shown no interest in seniority."

### RIGHT TO WORK

"The right to work or not to work is not an issue. The union employees merely ask that since the non-union workers have done nothing to establish seniority, and refuse to do anything to keep seniority, that by their attitude they are making their own choice," he said.

"The union employees do not ask that a single non-union employee be laid off or discharged but ask that when lay-offs become necessary because of slack work that non-union workers,

who have shown no interest in seniority, be laid off first.

"The union employees believe in democracy and feel that a small minority of 5 per cent should not retard the welfare of 95 per cent of the employees.

"The union employees are fighting for democracy in industry and want to be fair to the company and the non-union employees. As evidence of this good will, the union employees, through their committee, ask the company to arbitrate the question in dispute.

"The question of a five cent an hour increase for all workers asked by the union, did not discriminate between non-union and union employees. The union asked for a wage increase for all employees."

The Richmond plant, one of the modern mass production factories, employs white and Negro, men and women, and has a weekly payroll of \$30,000.

## Building Union Warns Against Intimidation

Elevator Negotiations Continue to Be Deadlocked

Any evidence of intimidation on the part of building owners will bring about an immediate walkout of 35,000 workers and the up 4,000 apartments, James J. Bambrick, Building Service Union President, declared last night after a full day of dead-locked conferences at City Hall.

"If everything continues as it has been going there will be no strike," Bambrick said. "But if there is any evidence of intimidation we will strike at 8:30 Sunday morning."

He named the Douglas Gibbins Company and the Adams chain of real estate operators as groups intimidating employees.

Representatives of the Building Service Employees Union, Local 32-B, headed by Bambrick, and spokesmen for the Realty Advisory Board, headed by Walter Gordon Merritt, counsel met in separate and joint conferences for seven and a half hours with an advisory committee of five set up by Mayor LaGuardia and headed by Arthur S. Meyer, State Labor Board Mediator.

### NO STRIKE

"It looks like a deadlock," said Mr. Merritt at the close of the final conference.

Mr. Meyer said the committee would meet today at 9 A.M. to draw up a report on the situation for the Mayor.

He would not reveal what had been discussed in the committee room but said: "There won't be any strike."

Negotiation conferences were moved to City Hall last Wednesday following six weeks of conferences in which Mr. Merritt flatly refused to give the union contract guarantees to protect union members against intimidation of employees.

The contract between the union and operators expired Thursday night at which time the workers voted to take strike action if necessary to enforce their demands.

When the City Hall conferences ended at 7:30 last night it appeared that it was the Realty Board who was holding up settlement of the dispute.

"We have finished our hearings tonight," declared Mediator Meyer. "The committee will assemble at City Hall between 9 and 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to consider a report which we will give to the Mayor."

## Invite Whalen To Harlem Job Rally for Fair

Meeting Tomorrow to Push Action on World Fair Issue

Grover Whalen, president of the World's Fair Corporation and the man who has final say about hiring and firing at the Fair, has been invited by the executive committee of the Greater New York Coordinating Committee on Employment to a mass meeting in Abyssinian Baptist Church, 132 W. 158th St., tomorrow afternoon at five o'clock.

Abyssinian Baptist Church is the headquarters of the Coordinating Committee, and this committee is organizer of the picket line about the Empire State Building where Whalen's offices are located.

Speakers at the mass meeting will give a history of the efforts of New York Negroes to procure jobs at the World's Fair and outline plans for further action, pending response of the numerous appeals that have been made to him.

Since picketing for jobs began on April 3, Miss Audrey Moore, in immediate charge of organizing the pickets, said yesterday that 25 additional Negroes have been given jobs as porters at the World's Fair. Approximately 40 Negro workers had already been employed there, it is said, only two of them not holding menial jobs.

One of the chief demands of the Coordinating Committee on Employment is that Negroes be hired in accordance with their ability and training. This, the committee holds, has not been done.

## Civil Service Supports Lehman On State Budget

Henry W. Wenning, New York District president of the State, County and Municipal Workers of America, CIO union of civil service employees, yesterday endorsed Governor Lehman's attack on the Republican budget program.

In a letter to the Governor, the CIO union official said:

"May we express our organization's sincere commendation of your courageous refusal to be stampeded into accepting the ruinous budget reductions proposed by the Republican fiscal committee. 'We are firmly convinced that the vast majority of the people of this state applaud and will support your stand. The indefensible budget reductions planned by the legislative fiscal committee in the minimum recommendations contained in your Executive Budget for state departments should receive the rebuke they merit.

"We earnestly hope that your Excellency will lead the socially-minded forces in the state in a determined drive to achieve the objective of a socially balanced budget."

## Form Group To City Council To Elect Negro

Trade Union Non-Partisan Committee Includes Civic Bodies

The establishment of a Trade Union Non-Partisan Committee for the purpose of selecting a suitable Negro candidate to run for the City Council during the 1939 Councilmanic elections was announced yesterday.

Fifty delegates representing civic, church, professional, fraternal and labor organizations met at the Harlem branch of the YMCA last week to form the committee, stressing that the election of a Negro councilman "is the most important question that faces the community of Harlem and indeed the people of the city in the coming elections."

Manning Johnson, organizer of the Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302, A. F. of L., said that "our democratic government will surely be enriched when Harlem, with its population of some 300,000 Negroes, and its many-sided problems, is given direct voice and representation in cooperation with others combining to promote the community good."

The temporary officers of the committee include Johnson, Dr. Porter, A. M. Wallie, C. Brown, former Assemblyman R. W. Justice who is a sponsor of the Harlem Legislative Conference, C. Marshall, L. Bryan and William H. Gaudin, organizer for the State, County and Municipal Workers, CIO.

## Textile Worker Runs for Council In Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N. C., April 21.—Julius W. Cone, largest textile manufacturer in this area, for the first time since his mill village became part of the city of Greensboro, is faced with opposition in the City Council elections.

His opponent is J. R. Morrison, young machinist in Jones print works. Morrison is an active of the Textile Workers Organizing Committee and played a leading part in the Cone mill strike last year.

Morrison's candidacy reflects the freedom that the Textile Workers Organizing Committee is bringing to the Southern mill villages.

In election District two out of eighteen candidates for the City Council are Negroes—R. C. Sharpe and George C. Simpkins—both well known civic leaders in Greensboro. Sharpe is receiving broad support from sections of organized labor because of his cooperation with the trade unions.

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## Ellenstein Land Grant Case Goes to Jury

NEWARK, N. J., April 21 (UP).—The case of Mayor Meyer C. Ellenstein and eight others on land conspiracy charges was given to the jury at noon today.

The trial lasted 14 weeks.

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## Alliance Members Told of Rights in Witch-Hunt Quiz

Morgan Says Workers Have Right to Refuse to Answer; Cites Red-Baiting Items in Questionnaire; Tells of Law

Willis Morgan, president of the Workers Alliance of Greater New York, yesterday advised all members of the organization and project workers that they have a right to refuse to answer questions on a questionnaire being circulated here by H. R. Burton, investigator for the House Investigating Committee on WPA administration.

He said the Workers Alliance is ready and willing to furnish all information relating to WPA administration, but has a right to ignore questions asking political and union affiliation.

"All workers should know that as citizens they have certain legal rights," Morgan said, "and in no sense does the House or its agents have a right to interrogate WPA workers as to their union affiliation or political beliefs.

"The Alliance will be glad to supply any information requested that is germane to the investigation and

in accordance with the authority conferred in the committee by the House Resolution.

"That resolution directed the committee to investigate administration of WPA."

Morgan said the mimeographed questionnaire circulated by Burton has such a question as 'Are you a member of any alliance, association, society or union?' Then in pencil is added 'or Communist Party.'

Another question asks: 'State who solicited you?' then added in pencil 'in the Workers Alliance or Communist Party.'

Morgan pointed to such tricks employed in the petition and added that any one not subpoenaed has a right to ignore the entire questionnaire.

## Murphy Confirms Davis Retirement—More May Quit

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP).—Attorney General Frank Murphy confirmed today that U. S. Circuit Judge J. Warren Davis has submitted his request for retirement and that several other judicial resignations or retirements are expected.

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# Labor Must Fight Fascist Drive On NLRB--Whitney

## Railway Brotherhood Head Urges Action Against Attacks

The following article by A. F. Whitney, President of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, will appear in the May issue of THE RAILROAD TRAINMAN:

If Congress is really bent on doing some "emasculating" during the present session, let it cease sniping at the National Labor Relations Act and train its guns, instead on the labor spy racket and the aggressions of the industrial barons who hire armies of strikebreakers and gun-toters to wage war on organized labor.

"Eemasculate" the arsenals of Tom Girdler, and the cause of industrial peace will be furthered.

After two years of intensive investigation, during which there were 86 days of public hearings with 485 witnesses examined and 18,000,000 words of testimony and exhibits received, the Senate Civil Liberties Committee, composed of Senator Robert M. La Follette, chairman, and Senator Elbert D. Thomas, has introduced a bill (S. 1970) calculated to strike a mortal blow at the private armies of professional labor spies and strikebreakers employed by big business to curb the growth of unionism and the extension of collective bargaining. The bill is entitled the "Oppressive Labor Practices Act of 1939."

It forbids employers to engage in four "oppressive labor practices":

1. To employ or utilize labor spy.
2. To employ or utilize any strikebreaker or strikebreaking agency.
3. To employ private guards armed with guns or other dangerous weapons off company property, or to employ as guards men who have been convicted of violent crimes.
4. To possess or utilize industrial munitions in or about any place of employment, or to furnish industrial munitions to any person or to any law enforcement officer or agency of any State or political subdivision thereof . . . in connection with any industrial dispute.

The penalty for each violation shall be a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment of not more than six months, or both.

Now that the La Follette Committee has "put the finger" on the vicious practices of labor-hating employers, it is high time that organized labor in America, together with the progressive groups of citizens throughout the land who are vitally concerned with the problem of protecting our civil liberties, took a bold stand against the fascist forces now plotting the destruction of collective bargaining. Unless Capitol Hill has completely surrendered to Wall Street, the United States Congress, with a little prodding on our part, cannot fail to act favorably on the La Follette Bill, S. 1970.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen urges all other labor unions and all friends of labor to work energetically for the passage of this measure before the end of the present session of Congress. There can be no compromise with those who abridge our civil liberties.

## Union Leaders Attend Funeral Of Passikoff

### Amter Speaks; Amalgamated Officials Among 3,000 Honor Communist

More than 3,000 persons, including leaders of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and the Communist Party, yesterday attended the funeral of Paul Passikoff to pay final tribute to him and praise his 30 years of activity in the working-class movement.

Israel Amter, state chairman of the Communist Party, to which Passikoff belonged for the past ten years, and A. B. Hershkovitz, representing the executive of Local 25, which Passikoff helped to found, spoke of his devoted activity both as a trade unionist and Party member.

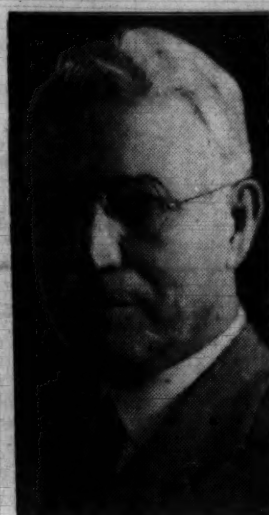
Business agents, executive board members and members of the Amalgamated local, carrying flowers, pledged to continue the work which Passikoff had spent his life doing.

Paul Yuditch, labor editor of the Jewish Daily Freiheit, paid tribute to Passikoff's activity as a member of the Jewish National Council of the Communist Party.

Passikoff, survived by a wife and three children, helped found the canvas makers union in 1910 and participated in all of the major Amalgamated organization drives.

## Technicians Hold Annual Dance

The Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians will hold its annual spring dance tonight at the Hotel Center, 43rd St. east of Broadway.



A. F. WHITNEY

## Apex Appeal Ruling From Judge Monday

### Kirkpatrick Takes Under Advisement Union's Objections

PHILADELPHIA, April 21 (UP).—Federal Judge William H. Kirkpatrick today took under advisement an appeal by the American Federation of Hosiery workers from the \$711,932 triple damages award to the Apex Hosiery Company in connection with a 48-day sitdown strike at the company's plant in 1937.

Judge Kirkpatrick indicated that he would hand down his decision on Monday.

Today's hearing was marked by legal wrangles over interpretation of a U. S. Supreme Court ruling on sitdowns. Although the union cited 81 reasons why the verdict should be reversed, Judge Kirkpatrick's decision was expected to hinge almost entirely on whether he was correct in his original ruling on the case two years ago, which was appealed to the Supreme Court.

Judge Kirkpatrick ruled in 1937 that the "acts and conduct" of the sitdown strikers did not constitute a violation of the Sherman and Clayton anti-trust acts under which Apex sought an injunction.

The third Circuit Court of Appeals reversed Judge Kirkpatrick and ordered him to issue an injunction for eviction of the strikers, who allegedly were members of the union.

## Miners to Hear Foster at Pitt. May Day Rally

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 21.—William Z. Foster will be the principal speaker at May Day celebration Communist Party, Carnegie Hall, North Side Pittsburgh. Foster will speak on the present mining situation and on the international situation. Arrangements are being made for an overflow meeting. Delegations from the mining and steel towns of Western Pennsylvania are coming in to hear him.

## Union to Begin Parley With Metropolitan

### Allan Heywood to Head Group Conducting Negotiations

The election of a negotiating committee, headed by Allan Heywood, New York regional director of the CIO, for collective bargaining with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was announced yesterday by Lewis Merrill, president of the United Office and Professional Workers of America.

Negotiations will open Thursday morning, April 27, at the home office of the Metropolitan, 1 Madison Ave.

Members of the committee are: Heywood, Leon W. Berney, general organizer, Local 30, UOPWA; John Ogg, union president; Herman Meyrich, John Steskel, and Roy Whitman, members of Local 30 executive board, and Sidney Elliot Cohn, union attorney. Three additional members are to be elected by the union before Thursday.

A preliminary discussion of an exploratory character last Tuesday preceded the opening of formal negotiations next week. The union was represented by a temporary committee consisting of the above named members. The company was represented by Vice-President Charles G. Taylor, Jr., Vice-President F. M. Smith, and R. R. Lawrence, superintendent of agencies for the Metropolitan area.

FOLLOWING COURT DECISION Negotiations were opened as a result of the decision of the Appellate Court of New York State on April 11, 1939, upholding the order of the New York State Labor Board to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to bargain collectively with the Industrial Insurance Agents Union, Local 30, UOPWA.

A Labor Board election preceding the order to bargain collectively was won by Local 30 one year ago.

The opening of negotiations followed the receipt of a letter by the union from the company's second vice-president, Charles G. Taylor, offering to meet with union representatives in response to a request for such a meeting directed to the company by Leon W. Berney, general organizer for the union.

In his letter to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Berney stated: "Local 30, Industrial Agents Union, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, which has been certified by the New York State Labor Relations Board as the sole collective bargaining agent of the industrial insurance agents employed by you in the Metropolitan area, desires to begin immediate negotiations with you for the purpose of entering into a contract in behalf of such agents."

## 487 Million Is Cash Income For Farmers In March Says Report

WASHINGTON, April 21 (UP).—Farmers had a cash income of \$487,000,000 in March, a reduction of \$25,000,000 from March, 1938, but \$54,000,000 more than in February, the Agriculture Department reported today.

# NEW JERSEY NOTES BAYONNE ANTI-HAGUE ELECTION UNITY FORCES MAYOR TO 'ABANDON' STOOGES

(Special to the Daily Worker)

Seeking to escape the mounting tide of antagonism which threatens to overwhelm him, Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City, early this week "abandoned" his former ally, Mayor Donohue in the Bayonne city elections. And to make this "break" with Hague appear legitimate, Mayor Donohue has resigned his job as county physician, mauling in a pained way about the "utter lack of sincerity of Mayor Hague."

Representing himself as one betrayed, he withdrew as a candidate and then named a ticket which includes the head of the local Chamber of Commerce.

But the people of Bayonne are not being fooled by Mayor Donohue's belated denunciations of his former master. Observers see the maneuver as an attempt to drop the bottom out of the main issue: Hague Rule vs. Home Rule. An open match of strength, with sentiment against him, is the last thing that Hague wants at this time.

Rumors are being circulated by the Hague forces to break the unity of the anti-Hague Fusionist. James Donovan, leader of the "Home Rule—Not Hague Rule" ticket, resigned from his post as County Freeholder and announced that he questioned the whole Hague-Donohue performance, adding that "the Fusionists started and will finish as an anti-Hague ticket, regardless of what anyone says or does."

fasten his grip on city affairs by any device election or campaign trickery. Bayonne labor would be faced with the prospect of being at the mercy of an outside influence whose hostility to organized labor is well known.

LABOR PARTY BACKING The Labor Party League, affiliated with Labor's Non-Partisan League, has gone on record endorsing the Fusionists.

Already a third ticket is in the field, and a fourth looms, all for the purpose of confusing and dividing the anti-Hague vote.

The forces of progress and reaction meet face to face at the Newark City Hall on Monday when the City Commission holds an open hearing on the proposed city budget at 4 P. M.

Raising the demagogic slogans, "Taxes are too high," "Save the small homeowner," "Reduce Relief Expenditures," "Cut Educational and Recreational Costs," the Chamber of Commerce and other reactionary groups are trying to rally "taxpayers" to demonstrate for a reduction of the city budget. The Junior Chamber of Commerce issued a statement demanding the rescinding of a \$500,000 bond ordinance for the completion of city-owned swimming pools, claiming that if the pools were opened "racial problems" would be increased and "pathogenic disease" spread.

## Swiss Misses for Fair



SWISS MISSES FOR FAIR—Swiss girls in picturesque native costumes, as they arrived in New York, to engage in role of singers and hostesses at the Swiss Pavilion of the New York World's Fair. Leader Hacky said: "We want to show Americans how gay we are."

## TWOC Wins Velvet Plant Poll In Shelton

### Blumenthal Employees In Conn. Favor CIO 654 to 262

SHELTON, Conn., April 21.—Textile Workers Organizing Committee won the election, conducted by the National Labor Relations Board at the S. Blumenthal & Co., Inc., Velvet plant here by a vote of 654 to 262.

The TWOC forces were rallied by Albert G. Clifton, state director.

The election was to determine whether or not the workers desired to be represented by the Textile Workers Organizing Committee (CIO).

Employees on the company's payroll as of August 5-November 4, 1938 were eligible to vote excluding the following:

Clerical and supervisory employees, foremen, foreladies, watchmen, technical and professional employees, truck drivers and mechanics, and all workers who have since quit or been discharged for cause.

At a public hearing held on the representation question, February 28-March 1, 1939 at Shelton, the TWOC claimed a majority. The union asked for an election by secret ballot.

## 5-Day Schedule Boosts of Output In Auto Plants

DETROIT, April 21 (UP).—Establishment of five-day schedules at two major plants sent automobile production this week up to a new high for the year, Ward's reports said today.

Ward's estimated total output at 90,280 units, against 88,050 last week and 57,263 a year ago. Orders at factories were reported piling up in a steady volume and anticipated improved weather conditions were awaited to measure the spring sales rate.

## Cotillo Ruling Paves Way For Rackets, A. F. L. Says

### Waiters Union Appeals Decision Banning Union Picketing, Favoring So-Called American Labor Alliance Whose Officers Are Arrested

The Waiters and Waitresses Union, Local 1, AFL, yesterday elaborated on its charge that Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo's decision favoring the so-called American Labor Alliance in prohibiting the AFL union from picketing the Old Russian Bear Restaurant aided the growth of racketeering in the industry.

The union, in announcing that an appeal from the decision had been filed, pointed to the arrest of four officials of the Alliance on charges of extortion and conspiracy.

Cotillo, in a drastic decision three weeks ago banned all picketing by the AFL union which accused the Old Russian Bear restaurant of locking out its members. Cotillo said the firm's contract with the Alliance was legitimate.

### WARN OF RACKETEERING

Sam Friedman, president of Local 1, at the time of the decision, warned: "It is my firm belief that the decision opens an avenue for the kind of racketeering in our industry which was smashed by the unions and the district attorney's office."

Yesterday, Friedman and Benjamin Gottesman, secretary-treasurer of the union, said that "the strong statement was justified by the fact that on April 18, four officials of the American Labor Alliance, the organization with which the Old Russian Bear Restaurant made a contract to oust the AFL union, are now held in jail by Justice Peter J. Brancato in amounts ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000."

The two AFL leaders quoted Assistant District Attorney Paul Seiderman as saying: "The American Labor Alliance worked with the bosses to whom they promised protection from interference with any other union organization."

Friedman and Gottesman charged that two of the four "have records of previous criminal convictions." The four are Joseph Rosenberg, Charles DeLuccia, Harry Cohen and

# Calif. Calls for Aid To Fight Insects

## Mobilizes All Able-Bodied Men to Defeat Grasshopper Attacks; Destruction Is Rampant; Defenders Grim; Plea to U. S.

COALINA, Cal., April 21 (UP).—This town was surrounded by an invading army of billions today and advance units were entering its outskirts.

Business was at a standstill and municipal authorities mobilized virtually every able-bodied male to hold back the invaders and, if necessary, fight them through the streets and from house to house.

Meanwhile, they appealed for outside aid. Coalina could not defeat the attackers alone, they said—it had to have state and federal aid, and at once.

Already the attacking army had wrought frightful devastation. Behind it were mile upon mile of barren earth, naked trees, devoured fields. All green, all vegetation had disappeared.

Commanders of the defending army surveyed the advancing hordes with fear. They were so tightly grouped, that a pencil point inserted among them could not touch the earth, and there were so many the earth itself seemed to be moving.

GRASSHOPPER INVASION This army was composed of grasshoppers, the variety known as the "devastator." Its objective was the young gardens, the stately trees, the lush lawns of this San Joaquin Valley town.

The defenders were discouraged. "You kill one and a thousand take its place," one volunteer said. But, urged on by their leaders, they grimly rushed up their weapons from the rear—hundreds of barrels of bran mash which had been poisoned. Millions were killed by it, and their bodies formed a covering over the poison over which more millions continued to advance.

Authorities considered digging a deep trench completely around the town and filling it with oil. The Chamber of Commerce and the Associated Cotton Farmers of California appealed to state and federal authorities for men and poison. Assemblyman Hugh M. Burns, Fresno, said he would seek an emergency appropriation. Farmers whose crops lay in the army's path beyond the town, asked for CCC enrollees to aid in the fight.

The black crawling blanket came out of the fields west of the city at about 10 feet an hour.

The army already had destroyed 1,000 acres of cotton, flax and barley in Pleasant Valley.

## Mayor Strips Bund Troopers Of Uniform

### Invokes City Ordinance At Hitler Birthday Celebration

Uniformed storm troopers of the German-American Bund were stripped of their shoulder loops, Sam Brownes and swastika arm bands and had to sit in the basement of Ealing's Casino last night to hear the Adolf Hitler birthday speeches from a loudspeaker.

Mayor LaGuardia's new order against uniformed guards at meetings, and a fire ordinance against cluttering the aisles, were invoked to upset the troopers' arrangements.

There were about 800 people and 428 policemen in the Casino when the 130 troopers marched in wearing their regulation gray shirts.

Deputy Chief Police Inspector James P. McGoe called attention to the Mayor's order. The troopers removed the trappings and McGoe permitted them to keep on the uniform shirts and trousers.

They stood four abreast in the aisle until the fire law against blocking aisles was called to their attention. Then they went to the basement.

The speakers, Fritz Kuhn, national E. and leader; Rudolf Markman, eastern leader; and Gerhard W. Kunze, publicity director, denounced Communists and Jews.

Salesmen for Father Coughlin's Social Justice magazine were busy in the hall.

BRANCH C. FORUM ON AMERICAN SPORTS The Open Forum located at 44 Avenue C, between 3rd and 4th Sts., New York City, will hold their regular Sunday night meeting, April 23rd, 1939, at 8:30 P.M. Lester Rodney, sports editor of the Daily Worker will speak on American Sports. The Open Forum is sponsored by the Avenue C Branch of the Communist Party.

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## A Basic Principle Of Americanism

The statement by WPA Administrator Harrington that he will continue dealing with the Workers Alliance as the collective bargaining agent of its members, will be applauded by every right thinking American.

For what is involved here is a basic principle of American democracy: the right of labor to choose its own representatives without dictation, conditions or restrictions from outside. It is just because this principle is so deeply interwoven with the American way of life, that the demand of an anonymous Congressman, as reported in the Times, that Harrington discontinue recognition of the Alliance, aroused widespread anger.

Questioned about this anonymous demand, Harrington also declared that on the basis of his experience, he did not consider the Alliance "subversive." As a matter of fact, during two whole days of witch-hunting, the House Appropriations Sub-Committee was unable to pin a single piece of subversion on either the Alliance or any of its leaders. On the contrary, the Alliance emerged from this hearing as a recognized constructive force in the life of the country.

## Their Freedom to Suppress

For 56 days the National Labor Relations Board has been conducting a series of the most important hearings ever held in the city. But not a word of it has gotten into the columns of the New York Press, with the sole exception of the Daily Worker. Reason?

The case involves the New York Times. The Board is hearing charges brought by the employees of the Times, who have been discharged for union activities. The elegant Times, of course, only prints news "that's fit to print"—that is, if it fits the Times' interest. And the cooperative sympathy which the rest of the press is giving, shows how unanimously they regard "freedom of the press" as freedom to suppress.

But the crux of the matter is that the Times wants to hide its own vicious anti-labor policy, its refusal to recognize the American Newspaper Guild. And Arthur H. Sulzberger's (Times publisher) ridiculous assertion that recognition is denied because it would mean the end of the paper's "unbiased attitude" toward labor, is as bogus as the Times' practice of "freedom of the press."

## Tied Up in Ribbons

Congressman "Ham" Fish is boiling mad at President Roosevelt for not sending the Nazi murderer, Hitler, a sweet little birthday greeting on the latter's drummed-up birthday celebration. "It was utter stupidity," bawled the Congressman.

Perhaps, he would also have liked for America to include a birthday present along with the greeting? Like the Philippine Islands, South America and the oppressed German minorities of Yorkville and Milwaukee?

## An Astonishing Declaration

How does Senator Borah expect to help America by his pronouncement before the Senate neutrality hearings that "economic sanctions mean war and will involve us in war"? This is an astonishing declaration. For it means that America is iron-bound either to shut off all trade with the victims of fascist aggression in complete economic isolation, or else America must give the fascist war powers whatever they demand in the way of supplies provided they can pay for it. At one stroke, America is paralyzed as a world force for peace, and we are told that America is unable to do anything to halt the advance of fascist war conquests.

The astonishing assumption of Senator Borah's declaration is that the fascists will never menace America's safety and national positions. He is willing for America to make no distinction between the fascists and their victims, because he believes that even if the fascists conquer nation after nation in Europe and the Far East, they will not use their new positions to menace America. But the facts cry out against his assumption. The Hitler-Japanese combination is advancing steadily into the Pacific and South America. In actual fact, Senator Borah's delusions of 'isolation are endangering America's safety and peace because they help speed the day of fascist aggression against America.

President Roosevelt's position is far closer to the realities of the world situation, and much safer for America's peace. The

repeal of the un-neutral Neutrality Act and the substitution of law which will give America the right to embargo all aggressors and help the victims is the only sure peace policy. We cannot help the war powers without speeding war against ourselves.

## To the Tune of—Have You Forgotten So Soon?

We print below some of the sacred things known as Republican promises—taken from their official state election platform, Sept. 30, 1938—and compare them with their present reactionary budget proposals. (Scan them over in the light of the fact that Gov. Lehman's budget proposes the barest minimum for social needs.)

Platform: "We favor adequate appropriations for the upkeep and development of our state highway system, without which the state will continue to suffer a serious capital loss. We favor the assumption by the state of the expense of acquiring rights of way and the full maintenance of the state highway system. We pledge our cooperation with the farmer."

Budget proposal: to cut \$13,000,000 out of the Governor's proposed \$22,000,000 road building program, though good roads are indispensable to the up-state farmers for marketing. Also to cut \$112,665 from the Agriculture and Market Department.

Platform: "We pledge the continuance of full state aid for education. We maintain that every child in this state shall have an equal, fair and free opportunity to receive an education."

Budget proposal: to cut \$9,710,000 from state aid to cities for support of common schools.

Platform: "We shall continue to support and expand the state merit system. . . . We shall oppose inroads upon our State system (of civil service)."

Budget proposal: to cut \$25,520, from an appropriation of less than \$400,000 for the state civil service department.

Platform: "We favor the strengthening of . . . assistance for the aged, unfortunate and handicapped, and for the prevention of disease and for adequate public health service. We pledge to cooperate . . . with labor."

Budget proposal: to cut from the state health, mental hygiene, social welfare, and labor departments—\$2,326,707.

Mr. Dewey made the Republican platform his own and then ran on it for Governor last fall. What has the favorite son of Mr. Hoover to say now?

## Feeding Kids— A WPA Plot

It's enough to make one's blood boil. We just don't know what this country is coming to. It's all in the latest report of the WPA in New York City as made public by director Col. Somerville.

It seems that the Adult Education classes of the WPA have reached an all-time high with 110,000 New Yorkers taking advantage of the opportunities offered them by the WPA. About 25,000 men and women who never had a chance are learning to read and write, and about 76,000 more attended classes in various vocational and cultural interests.

And worst of all—(It's positively subversive)—the WPA groups served over two and a half million hot lunches to 113,000 hungry kids every day who otherwise would have sat at their desks with empty stomachs.

At the risk of giving nervous prostration to Mrs. Dilling, Congressman Dies, and the latest witch-hunting Congressional Investigating Committee, we think that such WPA achievements are something for New York to be proud of. Just as we think that the splendid constructive achievements of the WPA all over the country put to shame the destructiveness of its irresponsible critics, and are something for the nation to be proud of.

It is such useful American work which the "economy" hatchet-men would like to cut down.

## Now They Put It On the Birthrate

Birthrate statistics have been used, rightly and wrongly, to justify many things. But it has taken the Republicans to use them as an excuse for driving the people back into the dark ages of ignorance and superstition.

We refer to the latest action of Gov. Saltonstall, Republican, of Massachusetts. He has just ordered FOUR of the nine state teachers' colleges closed, thus wiping out educational opportunities for students, abolishing jobs for scores of teachers—to say nothing of the other beneficial effects on recovery and uplift.

And why? According to a spokesman: "The average pupil employment has fallen nearly six per cent. Back of the decline is the falling birthrate. . . ." Very simple. Just reduce wages, lay off thousands of workers, cut out all funds for social services, fight WPA and relief—and naturally, families who have children can't afford to send them to school. And what an incentive to marriage, such bright prospects are! The fewer the children, the less need for schools.

The Republicans call this "economy." But the people know it's turning the wheels of democracy and progress backwards.

Of course, Gov. Saltonstall didn't say he was going to do this. He was the great "man of the people," promising everything to everybody, in a flurry of demagoguery. And what he is doing now is typical of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan and wherever the Republicans promised themselves into power last November.

## Are We Threatening You?—Hitler

by Ellis



## Hugh Johnson --- Devil's Advocate For Hitler Inside the U. S. A.

If the gangster Hitler is looking for a lawyer to help him crawl off the spot on which President Roosevelt's peace plan put him, he can take General Hugh Johnson, "calumnist" for Roy Howard (World-Telegram).

The column which Hugh Johnson ran yesterday is a free piece of advice to Hitler on how to turn the tables and put President Roosevelt "on the spot." It is how to evade the peace plan of the President.

"What Hitler Might Say"—thus ran Hugh Johnson's column yesterday.

And how does he advise the Nazi murderer to deceive the American people and incite them against the President? He tips Hitler off as follows: tell Roosevelt that Germany was "betrayed" at Versailles, that its "natural national aspirations were denied," that "we appealed again and again for relief," that "we armed to make ourselves heard," that "if we accepted your proposal for disarmament in what respect would we get better treatment now than then," that "you have tried our case in advance" and that "if a conference can be arranged without restriction on our military preparedness for the rectification of all factors disturbing peace, including old territorial seizures we accept, etc., etc. . . ." If Hitler takes advantage of this new devil's advocate, "who then would be on the spot"? gloats the Roosevelt-hating "calumnist."

In plain language, Hugh Johnson has taken over bag and baggage every idea of the Nazi war bandits and is now trying to sell Hitlerism to the American people at the moment when the vast majority of the nation stands behind the President's simple peace plan.

Johnson's "argument" is a typical Nazi fraud from beginning to end. It is the usual Nazi propaganda for war, justifying war, justifying aggression and the violation of nations.

It is a lie that either Johnson, the Wall Street servant, or Hitler, the fascist, was ever interested in helping the German people get rid of the burdens of Versailles. When Hitler in 1935 seized the left bank of the Rhine, this was not "breaking the bondage of Versailles" as the Hitler-Johnson propagandists said. It was, as the whole world can now see, a prelude to vast war schemes for the enslavement of Europe, for the conquest of Africa, China and South America. General Johnson weeps in his sleeve about Versailles; but he himself was one of the criminals of that imperialist division of loot after 1918. The way to remedy Versailles was not to get rid of one slavery in order to foist a new and far more brutal slavery on Germany itself, on Czechoslovakia, Austria, Spain, Albania and China. It was to liberate, not to enslave the peoples of Europe, including the German people. Has the fraudulent

Hitler "liberation from Versailles" brought the German people more happiness and liberty? It has, instead, tricked the German people into the worst slavery and fear they have ever known. In the name of "rectification" of "injustices," fascism has already crushed three democratic European nations and threatens to engulf the world in war.

Must Mussolini seize Albania, Yugoslavia and Greece to "rectify" the Versailles "injustices"? Must China become a colony of Hitler's Japanese partners? Must France be turned into a second rate power under the thumb of fascism? Must South America become an open field for Nazi intrigue, penetration and conquest? Hitler went back one thousand years to find a "German king" of Prague in order to justify his horrible seizure of that city; General Johnson, exchanging ideas with Berlin, goes back to the American Indians for similar whitewashing of fascist conquest.

Johnson's voice is the voice of rapidly brewing Hitlerism in America. It is difficult to see how the Johnsons can honestly uphold the principles of American democracy at home when they have already given their approval of Hitlerism's rape of democracy in Europe.

The voice of Johnson is the voice of his master, Roy Howard, who has publicly confessed his itch to start a world-wide war against the Soviet Union; the speeding of such a war is the hope and dream of Hitler in Europe and of the Tory gang in America. But such plans can only plunge the American people into the abyss of universal war.

In giving Hitler the tip-off on how to "embarrass" President Roosevelt, the Johnsons, Hoovers and that gang are boring from within against the safety of America's families and American peace. They have proved themselves guilty of contempt for the American majority which stands foursquare behind President Roosevelt's common-sense plan to keep America at peace by halting the prairie fire spread of fascist war. They are ready to feed every independent nation of the world into the Hitler war furnace; already they are seeking to drug the American people into accepting another Munich trickery, setting the stage for new seizures, new advances to the world explosion so eagerly envisaged by Mr. Roy Howard.

These conspirators of another Munich are, in short, the most dangerous war-makers now operating inside the gates of American democracy.

It is their insidious operations, growing bolder every day, which make more urgent than ever the determined action, from every section of the American people, to repeal the un-neutral Neutrality Act. No time can be lost in freeing America's hands so that it can bring into play its immense powers on the side of peace.

## World Front

By  
HARRY GANNES



Fascists Add New Methods of  
Aggressions as "Appeasers"  
Seek New Form of Concessions

New forms of fascist aggression and new contributory "appeasement" attempts now loom as additional war threats.

The novel type of aggressions being schemed up by the fascists was dramatized by Hitler's collection of "data" for his answer to President Roosevelt. With both the Nazi and Italian fascists pointing the muzzies of their artillery, rifles and machine guns at the vitals of small nations, these intended victims of fascist invasion are ordered to deny that they are menaced.

But it is precisely in this way that they are today further imperiled. And the new form of "appeasement" consists in planning to assist the Rome-Berlin axis economically (which would lay the basis for further military aggressions) and by proffering it colonial concessions.

The activity of Hitler and Mussolini in Hungary, Bulgaria and Poland makes quite clear the latest addition to the repertoire of fascist aggression. It can best be described, perhaps, by saying that Berlin and Rome are encouraging some of the small European fish to swallow the Hitler species so that the Nazis can gobble them all up at one gulp.

At the time of Hitler's destruction of Czechoslovak independence, the Nazi puppet regime, Hungary, was encouraged to swallow up the small state, as Joseph Stalin called it, of "Carpatho-Ukraine." Now Bulgaria is being groomed to grab some territorial morsels.

Under Rome-Berlin axis command Bulgaria is preparing to demand:

(1) Four thousand square miles of Dobruja, southeasternmost portion of Rumania on the Black Sea; (2) More than 3,000 square miles of Thrace, eastern section of Greece; (3) 1,000 square miles of western Yugoslavia; and (4) the district of Strumitsa on the Greek-Yugoslav border, northwest of Salonika.

Even Poland, despite (or is it because of?) its deal with Britain, consummated by Joseph Beck and Neville Chamberlain, is not excluded from the scheme. The avariciousness of Warsaw's reactionary colduels would be turned in the direction of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia in the Baltic region.

Moreover, the Nazis and Italian fascists would welcome armed actions in these aggressions so that the Rome-Berlin axis could be called in to help.

Is Chamberlain opposed to such aggressions? His past actions, up to and including Albania, would furnish a strong negative reply.

This, we believe, touches on the point of new "appeasement" dangers.

From ample evidence, it would appear that the Chamberlains and the Bonnets have not given up the hope of creating new Munichs. Hampering them is the new world situation, the exposure of their past Munich treacheries, the vigilance of the people, and, primarily, the might and peace policy of the Soviet Union, which overshadows all other factors in the struggle for a peace front.

Have all, or even the decisive sections, of the reactionaries of Great Britain and France abandoned their Munich intentions of ultimately provoking fascist attacks on the U. S. S. R.? We would say, hardly. They were profoundly disappointed when after Munich the fascist trio's aggressions brought the danger of war ominously closer to the democracies in the west.

In this situation Chamberlain and Daladier could not counter the demand for steps to defend England and France from the new war dangers that Munich had brought hovering over them.

The exposure of the foul Munich lies against the Soviet Union, in which the mysteriously returned Charles A. Lindbergh played a leading role, is making it infinitely harder for the ambushed "appeasers." The Soviet Union broke through a thick wall of malicious slanders to appear today before the world as foremost in the great issue of peace and of blocking and halting fascist aggression.

Yet Chamberlain has never ceased his back-door collaboration with the fascists. He is continuing it yet with the Nazis, in the form of "economic" conversations, and with the Italian fascists by personal, friendly and aggression-encouraging letters.

What is in the wind now from the "appeasement" swamp? Those who still stick to their basic Munich policy—that is, instigating the fascists against the Soviet Union—will try, no doubt, to reconstruct their program by other means. In so far as Chamberlain was compelled to set up alliances to resist fascist attacks he tried to do so exclusively for defense of the West. He has not yet, and will not until the Soviet Union's peace proposals are accepted and the "appeasers" defeated, give up the idea of pushing Hitler East, that is, against the U. S. S. R. and thus encourage fascism to attack in other places. The crafty Chamberlain is even trying to use his mendacious claims of "conferring" with the U. S. S. R. to stave off criticism while he seeks to limit his anti-fascist defenses to what would be considered the "Western Front."

These maneuvers were exposed time and again by the Soviet Union. They were blasted beforehand in Stalin's brilliant report to the 18th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. They were sharply brought to Chamberlain's and Halifax's attention by Ivan Malsky, Soviet Ambassador to London, recently.

The touchstone of a genuine peace front will be the degree to which the Chamberlains (or their possible substitutes) are compelled to accept the only means of halting fascism, collective security and supplementary proposals made by the bulwark of world peace, the Soviet Union.

## Letters From Our Readers

'It Is the Miners "Right"'

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The public, which is just now observing the threat to its safety, health, comfort and productive capacity involved in the private ownership of the country's mineral resources, is especially unfavorably impressed by the position of the coal operators when they demand a penalty clause for breach of contract from the miners while they are themselves breaking an agreement.

The miners want to go back to work, to produce imperatively needed coal. The operators promised them that in case a new agreement was not arrived at before the old one terminated, the production of coal should continue under the terms of the lapsed contract.

What penalty can the miners obtain for this lock-out, which is a plain breach of agreement? This is a clear illustration of why the ostensibly just and fair

demand for a penalty clause is actually one-sided and oppressive.

So long as the power of great aggregations of investment capital remains what it is, and its responsibility either to the public or to its own plain agreements so negligible, the labor unions cannot agree to lay down their sole defensive weapon, the strike, or render themselves punishable if they use it.

The coal companies thus show the public clearly that their private ownership is essentially irresponsible, and that an industry so heavily charged with "a public interest" is completely indifferent to the public interest.

GERTRUDE C. SEWARD.

'The World of Tomorrow'

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It is only a matter of days now before the New York World's Fair will open its gates to the sightseers

of the world. This fair, by far the largest and most expensive project ever created in these United States, can truly be called the "eighth wonder" of the world, for nothing like it has even been attempted before. The people of New York can justly be proud of it, for it stands as a monument to the progress and scientific genius of our present generation.

Many hundreds of men were hired for this project, but eleven million men are still out of work. So, we'll have to visit this dream world of tomorrow. We must gaze in wonder at the future homes of tomorrow, with its electrical contraptions, air ventilation, and the countless other ingenious inventions that go with it.

Gaze at its splendor, and then let us return to our slums we call home, to open our doors to men on the street who have no slum-dwelling to call home. Here we struggle that this land of plenty may once again serve to bring work to all, the right to happiness.

WILLIAM FIELDS.



## Change the World

The Revival of the Cult  
Of Phallus-Worship in  
The Fascist Countries

By MIKE GOLD

TO CONFUSE the workers of Italy and Germany, who still don't seem enthusiastic about starving and dying, the fascist press of those unfortunate lands constantly has to invent new forms of demagoguery.

They hit upon a beautiful formula recently, a masterpiece of deception. Speaking of the mobilization of British and French opinion against fascist aggression, the fascist press puts it thus: "The pluto-democracies are preparing for an armed attack on the proletarian nations."

In America, too, rugged "proletarians" like Hamilton Fish, Father Coughlin and Boake Carter, defend their "proletarian" fatherlands, fascist Italy and Nazi Germany. The have-not nations must be given what belongs to them by the have!

It is quite a tear-jerker argument, until you ask, why shouldn't such have-not nations as Spain, Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, Rumania, and the like, also have the same right in the sun? A true proletarian does not live by exploiting other proletarians; that is the definition of a capitalist.

And another question: If Germany and Italy are so starved for land, why in the devil's name has the cult of phallus-worship been revived among them?

Why are their leaders urging the people to procreate as rapidly as possible, expand, over-populate, breed, breed?

In a little Ruhr city only the other day the Nazi Burgomaster offered a prize of 500 marks to any unmarried woman who will have a child out of wedlock. The town will take care of the child until he is of working age. Hitler needs soldiers.

In the squares of many German cities and towns free moving pictures are shown to further the phallus-cult. The mating of stallions and mares, bulls and cows, and other such edifying pictures are shown the youth.

Hitler needs soldiers—that is the truth of it. Not, a "proletarian" Germany needs more territory.

THE cult of phallus-worship among the ancient pagans has sometimes been attacked by belated moralists as evidence of the decadence of these old Greeks, Persians, Egyptians and Babylonians.

Yet the cult was innocent enough; it was merely a frank festival of fertility. Those ancient tribesmen were farmers and herdsmen, and the priests were their only Department of Agriculture. They earnestly believed that certain religious ceremonies would increase their crops of corn and calves, a belief that still survives among some European peasants, where the fields are blessed in spring.

Fertility and abundance is the oldest aspiration of mankind. It has always been connected with beauty and joy, as is still evident in such survivals of the fertility cult as the May pole. A spiritual life for humanity will come when there is a super-abundance of material goods, and no need for competition or war. This good life is at last possible today, when the great machines stand ready like beneficent djinns to pour upon mankind all that we would command of them, if only we were ready to.

Yes, a world of fertility and abundance would be a good world, and those ancients were clean-minded and truly religious in praying for fertility, however crude and primitive the form of their ritual. It is the modern Nazi pagans who have fouled the ancient creed by tying it up to war and destruction.

## THE LOUDSPEAKER

By Nemo

THE WINNERS: The Women's National Radio Committee, which does a valuable job in goading the networks into the occasional production of worthwhile programs, has just announced its annual awards. The ladies have done a good job of selection. Award for the best new program of the year went to "Americans All-Immigrants All."

The dramatic series produced over the Columbia network by the Radio Division of the Office of Education, Department of the Interior. There couldn't have been a better choice. A government produced radio show came in first! Are you listening, you Tory gents who have been ranting about government "interference" in radio and government "propaganda" on the air, are you listening?

Palm for the best quiz program went—of course—to "Information Please." The Toscanini series and the Detroit Symphony programs were nominated as the outstanding non-commercial and commercial musical programs, respectively.

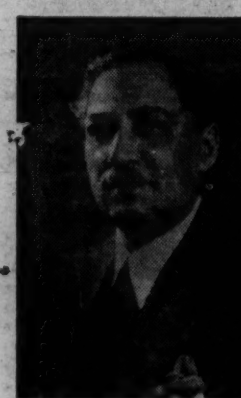
Orson Welles got the nod for the best dramatic programs of the year. Not a bad choice, although we would have called it a tie between the Welles series and the Columbia Workshop.

First among children's programs, were Irene Wicker, and the Walter Damrosch Music Appreciation Hour. As the leading news commentator, the choice was H. V. Kaltenborn, who's probably the most passable of the lot.

Other committee awards includes: The Jack Benny show for the most listenable advertising and "America's Town Meeting of the Air" as the program best serving democratic ideals.

We can't quarrel with the selections of the Women's National Radio Committee. But we do think they ought to broaden the scope of their activity to include awards for distinguished program service by independent, non-network stations. WMCA, WEVD, and WQXR.

## CONDUCTOR



Eugene Plotnikoff leads the Fréchet Mandolin Orchestra at Town Hall tonight.

## 'JUAREZ' TO STAR PAUL MUNI, MAN OF MANY MOODS.



Paul Muni plays the title role in "Juarez," opening at the Hollywood Tuesday evening. Reading from left to right, Paul Muni as he appears in real life; 2—In "I'm a Fugitive from a Chain Gang"; 3—As a seagoing character he wants to play some day; 4—In "The Life of Louis Pasteur"; 5—As a coal miner in "Black Fury"; and 6—In "The Life of Emil Zola."

## Tamiris and Her Group in Notable Dance Performance of 'Adelante'

ADELANTE, a Dance Production on a Spanish Theme, conceived and directed by Helen Tamiris. Music by Genevieve Pitot. Poems from the Spanish translated by El Seigel and Rolf Humphries. Additional verse by Bob Whittington. Sets and costumes by Alexander Jones. Narration by Alfredo Alfaro under direction of Brett Warren. Lighting by Harry Peters. Produced by Charles K. Freeman. Produced by Federal Theatre.

By Abel Gorham

Under the auspices of the Federal Theatre, the dance unit directed by Helen Tamiris is presenting her work Adelante. Billed as "a dance production on a Spanish theme" it attempts a kaleidoscopic presentation of Spanish history before passing the inner vision of a peasant soldier.

In the mortal moment between his being shot and his falling to earth. A spoken narrative and a choral accompaniment are dramatic and effective parts of the production. An excellent score by Genevieve Pitot is sympathetically conducted by Wallingford Riegler.

The scope of Adelante is massive and each of the eleven scenes would alone have presented considerable problems in execution of its theme. Taken as a whole, it has fulfilled its aim with uniform skill, feeling, and good taste. But it has not quite attained distinction either in fullness, or interpretive quality.

The movement of the first half is noticeably slow, and retrospectively, as part of a pattern, is even more so in contrast to the flashing, naïveté of the village scene, where joy and gaiety of the peasant women appear with welcome timeliness as the best received scene of the entire evening. Tamiris is featured as the beloved of the peasant soldier who has been

once I saw on its first birthday last November. The company now playing has also been strengthened by recruits from the second and third companies.

The new numbers comprise three songs by Harold J. Rome and three sketches by Mr. Rome and other authors. The songs are "I've Got the Nerve to Be in Love," a pleasant little number tunelessly sung and gracefully danced by Ruth Elbaum and Al Levy; and "Back to Work," a stirring celebration of a victorious strike. The third song "Papa Lewis, Mama Green" also contains a vigorous pantomime and dance, well staged by Felicia Sorel.

Its burden is to point the plea by the rank and file for unity between the CIO and A. F. of L. The humor of this number as such detracts nothing from the underlying seriousness of its message, but it would have gained in force if the lyrics had been free of their crude sexual references.

The best line in the new sketch, "Britain Waives the Rules" by John La Touche and Arnold Horwitz, with music by Bernece Kazanoff, is "If you don't concede at first, fly, fly again." In fairness to the much-abused British, it should be noted that this joke appeared first in an English publication very soon after Munich. "Cream of Mush" by Joseph Schrank with Mr. Rome's music and lyrics is a hilarious satire on a commercial radio program.

"The Red Mikado" by the aforesaid Schrank and Rome with Sullivan's music is not only the most successful of all the new numbers, but one of the best comic interludes of the whole season. Despite the variety of "Mikados" seen hitherto recently, this latest addition to the family received a prolonged ovation, which was thoroughly deserved. It is something not to be missed.

## Red-Baiting Not Funny

All the old favorites stand up well. "We'd Rather Be Right" by David Gregory and Arthur Kramer with Mr. Rome's music is now even funnier than it was. It was performed with excellence and violence by Hy Gardner, Paul Seymour, and Harry Clark. "Sunday in the Park" has, I think, been changed in that the "Radical" who is seen reading "The New Masses" is now depicted as a taciturn trouble-maker. This treatment merely gives aid and comfort to the Red-baiters, who are elsewhere the fitting target of the various authors' satire.

But why end on a carping note? I would rather pay tribute, in addition to the persons already mentioned, to Al Eben, Jean Nicita, Murray Modick, Dorothy Tucker, Ruth Rubinstein, Millie Weitz, and Harry Clark. The last named is a newcomer, and one of the best.

"Pins and Needles 1939" remains a first-class show, imbued with social significance, and a standing example of what a progressive labor organization can accomplish in the theatre when talent is given its head.

## Richman in Stage Show

Harry Richman is now appearing on the stage of the Flatbush Theatre, Brooklyn. Sharing honors on the program are Don Bestor and his band, Walter Dore Wahl, comedian and the 3 Samuels and Harriet Hays, tap-dancers. Estelle Taylor star of stage and screen is also on the bill. The feature picture is "The Tough Kid" with Frankie Darro.

Wallace Ford, star of "Back Door to Heaven," now showing at the Criterion.

## HOW DO YOU FEEL?

HEALTH ADVICE

Readers' questions will be offered to a doctor for reply. However, diagnosis of individual cases and prescription will not be attempted. When writing, please enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

## Beware of Lead Nipple Shields

The recent death of an infant from lead poisoning, traced to use of a lead nipple shield by the mother, caused New York State to prohibit the sale of such shields.

Health department investigators found lead shields in drug stores in many communities. The package literature states that the preparations have been used since 1842 for the prevention and cure of sore nipples, and that they "are in no way likely to be injurious to the infant."

It is now known that the lead shields are injurious, and there is no excuse for their use, especially since there are many more modern ways of treating sore nipples.

Readers are advised to throw away such products if they now possess them, and to beware of purchasing any such shields which may be on sale despite the State prohibition.

"GRAND ILLUSION" AT 68TH ST. The 68th St. Playhouse is now playing the 1938 prize-winning anti-war film "Grand Illusion" through Sunday.

FRENCH PROGRAM AT WORLD The French program at the World Theatre, consisting of Ballerina and Heart of Paris, will be held over for a third week.

## SCREEN

## Acting of Bette Davis Makes 'Dark Victory' Eventful Film

DARK VICTORY, a Warner Brothers Production, directed by Edmund Goulding, from a screen-play by Casey Robinson, based on the play by George Serris, and presented at the Radio City Music Hall.

By Ben Cooper

The new picture at the Music Hall belongs to Bette Davis, and Miss Davis enjoys the enviable distinction of being the finest dramatic actress on the American screen. Developed, in her career, almost entirely by the screen, Bette Davis therefore represents a distinct departure from the

Hollywood tradition, which seems to be solely concerned with presenting eye-faced baby-dolls dressed in Adrian's most attractive creations.

Without Miss Davis "Dark Victory" would be nothing at all; with her, it is a picture that will have to be seen—but only for her illuminating performance of the young society girl who is faced by inevitable death as the result of a malignant tumor of the brain. The death of a single individual, and the ways in which different individuals face their death can present a valid situation. And the fact that "Dark Victory" presents no situation at all may be attributed to unimaginative dramatic writing, unimaginative direction and the absence of plot-material that has some solid roots in human life.

Daughter of the Upper Classes The story is told of Judith Traherne, headstrong daughter of wealth, who fritters away her life in the vain pursuit of evanescent pleasure. The immensity of her death, once she becomes aware of its inevitability, makes of her, for a moment, a human being of some warmth and appeal. But so empty is Judith Traherne's normal way of living, of anything that can be called significant, that the spectator will find it difficult to care whether she lives or dies.

It is therefore only as a display of what true histrionic talent can be like, that you should see "Dark Victory." Only Miss Davis could make Judith Traherne momentarily appealing. And this she does because she is, in her own person, a woman of spectacular charm and superlative creative power. You will believe in what you see while Miss Davis is appearing on the screen; you will be moved by her behavior when she is afraid of being operated upon; when she is recovering in the belief that her recovery will be permanent; when she accidentally stumbles upon the true prognosis of her case; when she is attempting to escape from the realization of death by a headlong plunge into the fleshpots; while she



BETTE DAVIS

is accepting her fate with resignation and with calm. This Bette Davis can make you feel because she possesses the ability to project even more than she has been given to work with. (Many fine performers have "made" indifferent plays.)

"Dark Victory" will be forgotten when Bette Davis is remembered for her vitality, her talent and her charm. "Juarez," which will receive its first presentation next Tuesday night, should really give her an opportunity to get her teeth into her material; for she will have some material.

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## Federal Theatre Musical Revue Opens Monday

The WPA Federal Theatre Project will install "Sing for Your Supper," one of the largest musical revues to hit Broadway in recent years, at the Adelphi Theatre, 54th Street east of Broadway, on Monday (April 24).

One of the numbers featured in the show, a ditty called "Oh Boy Can We Deduct," satirizing the attempts of wealthy individuals and corporations to pare their income tax payments, should, according to advance Tin Pan Alley predictions, become a national favorite.

The entire production was compiled and directed by Harold Hecht, erstwhile Hollywood director. The production numbers were staged by H. Gordon Graham. Lee Walner and Ned Lebac contributed the music.

Robert Sour, who wrote "Body and Soul" and a great many other song hits, has written the lyrics for "Sing for Your Supper."

## Noted Authors to Speak At Highlander Writers' Workshop in Tennessee

Sherwood Anderson, Millen Brand and W. T. Couch are among the guest lecturers who will participate in the Highlander Writers' Workshop for student and professional writers at Monteagle, Tenn., between Aug. 21 and Sept. 3. The project is being sponsored by the League of American Writers and the Highlander Folk School.

Scheduled courses include the technique and reading of short stories; playwriting, poetry, radio script writing and the essentials of labor journalism and publicity. A special lecture series on Southern folklore and literature also will be conducted by authors from the South.

A limited number of scholarships will be available to students recommended from a recognized school, trade union, Y. M. or Y. W. C. A. Applications for enrollment in the Workshop are now being received by Lillian Barnard Gilkes at the League's headquarters, 381 Fourth Ave.

## New Theatre Program At New School Tonight

The New Theatre League presents a program of outstanding one act plays at the New School for Social Research, 66 West 12th St., tonight. The program includes Marie Ellstrand's well-known "I've Got the Tune" which was heard over the Columbia Network last season and will be performed by the Flatbush Arts Players. Ben Bengali's "Plant in the Sun" will be offered by the East Side Players and Albert Maltz's "Rehearsal" by the New York Players.

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By LESTER RODNEY

## A Bleat From the Wide Open Spaces

April 19, 1939.

Dear Lester Rodney:

Perhaps you wouldn't know a No. 12 Badger Bivisible from a Mickey Finn... possibly the first Saturday in April means no more to you than a time, as good as any, for speculating on how far off bottom the Dodgers can get this year... it's even probable that reports of forest fires in four Adirondack counties two days before deer season would prove no more than a warning thought to one whose mental interests are bounded by Ebbets Field on the East, the Daily Worker on the South, the Garden on the West and the Stadium on the North, but... what about the wildlife conservation in a country the people say hope to have something more to say about?

Have you ever stopped to consider the fact that it might be nice to have some of the fish and game (to say nothing of the streams, lakes and forests they belong in) that are native to these here United States? That you don't have to be a devotee of a four ounce bamboo wand, or the latest model 12 gauge over and under, in order to enjoy having the out of doors something like it was when some of our great grandpappies argued it away from the Redcoats. (Even the boys and girls who are nuts about handball seem to get a bigger kick out of playing it in the surroundings of say Camp Unity than they do in their local gyms, or the public courts.)

Then how come the lack of news about conservation in the Worker? Right now there are recommendations pending in the State Legislature that, if passed, will cut the state's fish and game budget, open the way for grabs at the Conservation Department's surplus funds, and pave the way for diverting money received from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses into the general fund of the state.

It is high time that the public take a more active interest in wildlife conservation, while we still have some to conserve. In New York State, alone, more than 600,000 anglers and hunters plunk up \$2.25 each per annum for licenses. That's over a million bucks, a large part of which is supposed to go for rearing and distributing fish and game. But if that money is cooped by the politicians and footloosed around the way they do other funds, it won't be long before New York's deer are confined to Bronx Park and the old timers are harking back to the day when the Aquarium was not the only spot to look for trout and bass.

So why not pay a little more attention to these things in the Worker? Why not ask your readers to flood Albany with letters and postcards? In this morning's Times, for instance, Raymond Camp discussed this very question, but admitted that he was afraid his readers would be too inclined to let the other fellow do the job.

Finally, I see about one ball game a season on the average, yet I'm all for tossing out discrimination from organized baseball. How about you calling on your readers to send letters or postcards to the Chairman of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, State Assembly, Albany, protesting against any diversion of the Conservation Fund and urging that the full budget submitted by the Conservation Department be included in the budget for 1939-40? Those writing should also state that they oppose any and all measures for incorporating moneys obtained from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses into the general fund of the state.

Yours for a full Daily Worker Sports Page!

—JOHN HARVEY,  
170 Bleeker St., New York, N. Y.

# DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1939

## Di Mag, Gallagher Homer, Yanks Win

Rookie Clouts One With Two On as Gomez Cops Washington Inaugural 6-3

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—The Washington Senators, filled with illusions of grandeur on their official opening day, scored three runs on Lefty Gomez in the second inning to go ahead of the Yankees 3-1 today.

Whereupon the Yankees came to bat against Mr. Joe Krakauskas in the third and the following took place:

Frank Crosetti singled to left center; Rolfe and Powell were retired to make it look good; Joe DiMaggio stroked the ball into the left center field bleachers for a home run, scoring Crosetti ahead of him; Gehrig and Dickey walked; rookie Joe Gallagher smote one into the left field corner of the park for another home run, scoring both ahead of him for a five-run inning.

The final score was 6-3, with Gomez clamping down on the poor deluded Nats the rest of the way. And what the heck, you don't need details for the Yanks. Good till 1945, it looks.

## Wholesale '9' Training for Labor Race

The United Wholesale and Warehouse Employees of N. Y. local 65, C. I. O., expects to go places in Trade Union sports this year.

According to the sports director of local 65, they are going into spring training at once and with this early start they can be counted on to come out with a fine all around team by the time the official Trade Union League baseball opens.

A charter member of the Trade Union A. A., the U. W. W. E. has never quite made the grade so far as winning any trophies or flags go, but, by their hearty response to "all out for spring practice" the membership has displayed a determination to change all that; to win a few buntings for themselves.

With Randall Island selected as their practice fields, many hopeful aspirants will be out on April 22 at field 2 and on April 29 on field 3, for on these dates the varsity will be chosen.

The sports committee of local 65 also announced an inter-shop tourney in soft ball, while track and hadm ball are also being considered.

## Champ Furriers 11 Out To Avenge Lone Loss

Furriers Soccer Team, winners of the Manhattan Soccer League A Division, will play their final league game against the powerful Brownsville F.C. 11 at Crotona Park tomorrow at 1:30 P.M. The Furriers feverishly prepare to avenge the only defeat they suffered from the Brownsvilles during the entire season. Sam Kleinman, Furriers center forward, leading scorer of the entire league, promises to live up to his reputation by scoring against every team in the division.

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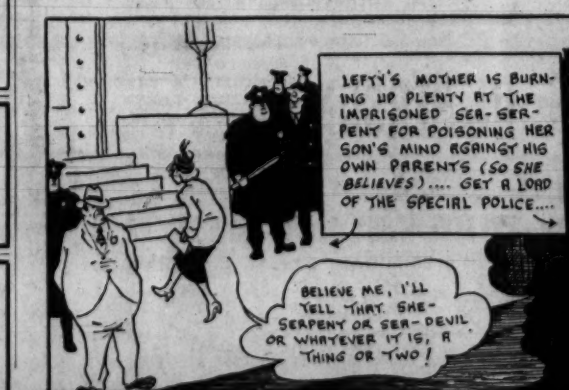
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## LITTLE LEFTY



## PRESS BOX

BY A SCORER

Detroit Tigers—  
Past and Present

It is a beautiful souvenir booklet that the Detroit Tigers have published in celebration of the one hundredth year of baseball. It is called "Detroit in Baseball" and as you turn the cover you will find on an inside page a picture of the famous old Detroit Tigers of 1907, first pennant winners in the Auto City.

I looked at the picture and recalled a day of long ago, thirty years ago to be exact, when the three time pennant winners of the American League, the same old Tigers, were playing the Pittsburgh Pirates. That was a great series, seven games in all, won by the Pirates four to three. I can recall the very day when Babe Adams won the final contest, the youthful wizard of the pitcher's box, who continued his career in the National League until deep in the '20's.

"CARRY ME BACK"

That picture of the pennant-winning Tigers is full of familiar faces. There's the manager, E. J. Hughie Jennings, whose rubicund countenance shone from the sidelines of the Giants, where he was coach for John McGraw until shortly before he died. Hughie was in his forties when he won that pennant—still slim, still looking like the powerful Irish boy who starred with the famed Baltimore Orioles of the '90's.

That Tiger outfield heralded the later days of the .400 hitters, the rabbit ball and big box scores. Ty Cobb was his great star, but besides the willow Georgian was Sam Crawford, a long hitter of the Bob Meusel and Joe DiMaggio type and on the other side was Bobby Veach, also a power at the bat. Matty McIntyre was also one of the greats of that day.

Ossie Vitt was one of the infielders and another was the picturesque Dutch Schaefer. And the lightning speed of George Moriarty made itself felt whenever the Tigers played an opponent in those days.

As for the pitching staff—Wild Bill Donovan was its particular star. He was supported by Mulling Killian, Willett and Summers and caught by none other than Fred Sfanage and big Charlie Achmidt.

Quite a team, fast, hitters, with good pitching and a steady catching staff. I wonder how it would stack up against the Tigers of today.

## TIGER SLUGGERS

The Tigers have always had one world-beating hitter. For many years it was Cobb. Then Harry Hellmann came along with his .400 batting average. Of late years it has been the two G-Men, Gehrig and Greenberg.

Another interesting detail of the Tiger's past is that in 1903, one other than our own Uncle Ed Barrow, present president of the Yankees was manager. Just before Uncle Ed's day, George Stallings, still a player, tried to work a miracle but failed.

For many years Frank J. Navin, one of the self-made men of baseball operated the team. Navin was popular everywhere. He had begun his career as a clerk in the office of Samuel P. Angus, a Detroit insurance man. Angus turned over the club to Navin in the early '20's. During Navin's ownership, the Tigers were in the hands of a lover of sport, a man who looked upon the Tigers as the property of the fans.

In the '20's, with the introduction of Big Business into baseball, Navin was obliged to look for financial aid. Originally Navin's share in the stock came to him as a gift from part-owner William H. Hawkey, father of Tom Hawkey, now owner of the Red Sox. The gift came when the Tigers won their first pennant in 1907.

Fifteen years later, Navin sold stock to Walter O. Briggs who gradually acquired complete ownership. Mr. Briggs is one of the General Motors tycoons, a man who fought unions consistently as owner of one of the great manufacturing plants of the motor world. His period of ownership

## Bees Rout Giants, 10-3 In Polo Grounds Opener

OLD MAN MOSE AIN'T DEAD!



Hassett, Lopez, Simmons Lead Attack on Melton

By Stan Kurman

Casey Stengel brought his new streamlined for power Boston Bees into the Polo Grounds yesterday and gleefully watched his charges ruin the Giants 1939 home debut. The Bees swarmed all over Cliff Melton and Johnny Wittig for 13 hits to win 10-3.

Danny MacFayden had a neat six hit shutout going into the Giant 9th but weakened and yielded three runs before Lanning came on the score scene with two out to retire the side on one pitch.

The breaks, some boner plays by Melton and general inept Giant play aided the Giant downfall. The Bees served notice of things to come when Deb Garms, first batter up in the game, singled before Mayor La Guardia had time to sit down after throwing out the first ball. Then Cooney singled and Hassett bounced a freak double into short center and the first run was in.

But that was just the beginning. The Bees combed Melton for ten hits and 6 runs before he retired for Wittig with two on and two out in the big Boston 6th which saw four tallies cross the plate.

The nervous Wittig couldn't find the plate and walked in a run after an intentional pass. Lopez was the surprise Boston hero, batting in 4 runs—two in the 4th off Melton and another pair off Wittig in the 6th. Last year the catcher didn't knock in a tally until late in July and only got 14 for the year. Ex-Dodger Buddy Hassett also started off good in his new Boston role, slapping over three tallies, his single in the second scoring two.

Al Simmons walked over in the 8th with the final Bee tally on Fletcher's single.

Then came the "big" Giant. 9th. The tiring MacFayden might have lasted through the round if it wasn't for an error by third-baseman Debs Garms that loaded the sacks with none out. Danning, who had a good day at bat, getting 2 for 4, then broke the shutout with a towering fly to center, scoring Joe Moore from 3rd. MacFayden lost all his stuff after DeMare's walked pop-up and walked Jurgens, O'Dea and Myatt to scout in two more runs. Then Lanning came on the scene and got Whitehead on an easy infield groundout and that was all to the "rally." The Giants will try to get revenge today with rookie Manny Salvo hurling against Milt Shoffner.

## THE SCORES

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## Villanova At CCNY

The Villanova Wildcats invade Lewisohn Stadium this afternoon to meet City College's improved Beavers—weather permitting. The game is scheduled to start at 2:30 P.M.

Bill Mayhew continues to be the best batter in the C.C.N.Y. lineup. In four games he has garnered eight hits for a .421 average and has driven in five runs. Although still somewhat awkward in the field, he is learning fast. Last spring the Wildcats defeated the Beavers 14-0.

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